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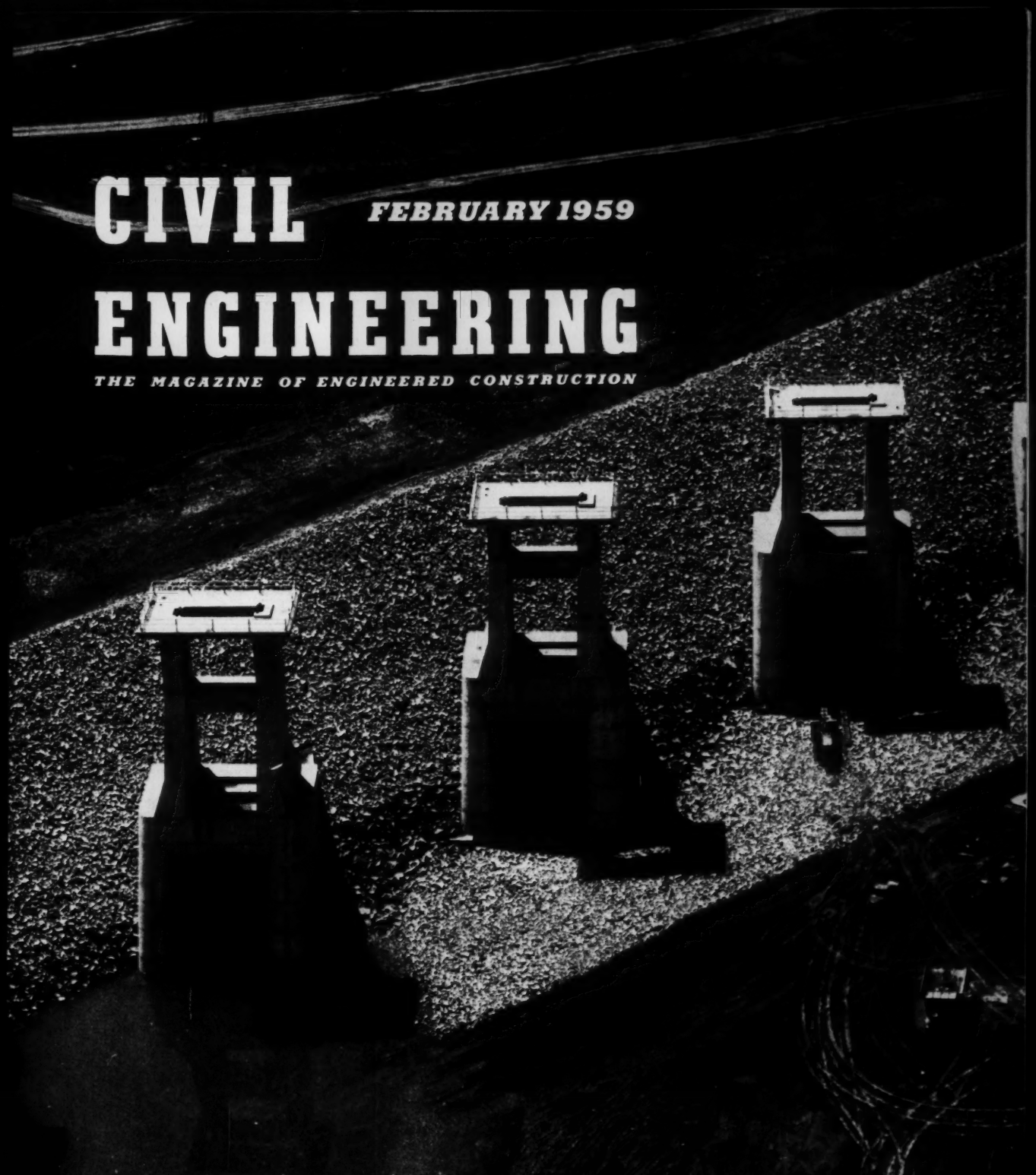

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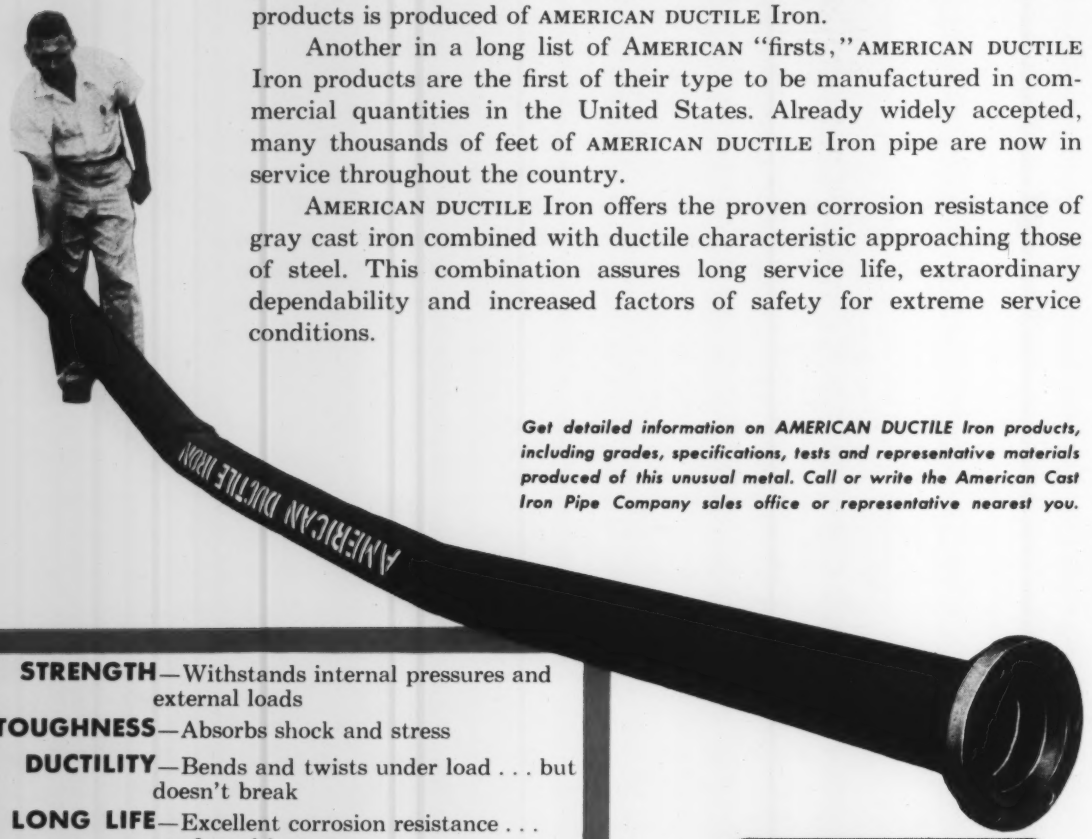

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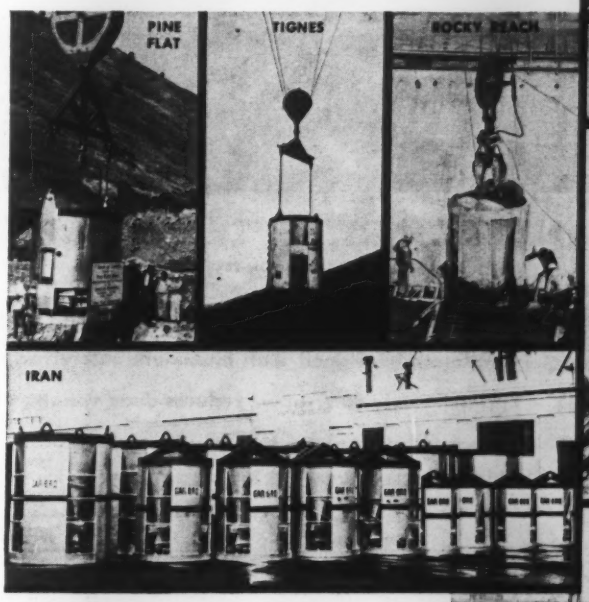

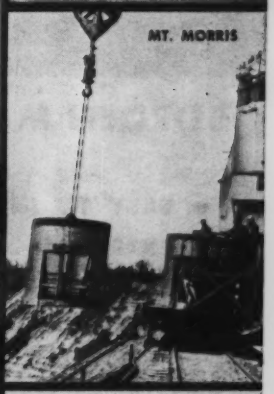

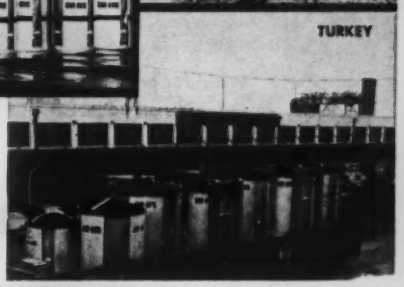

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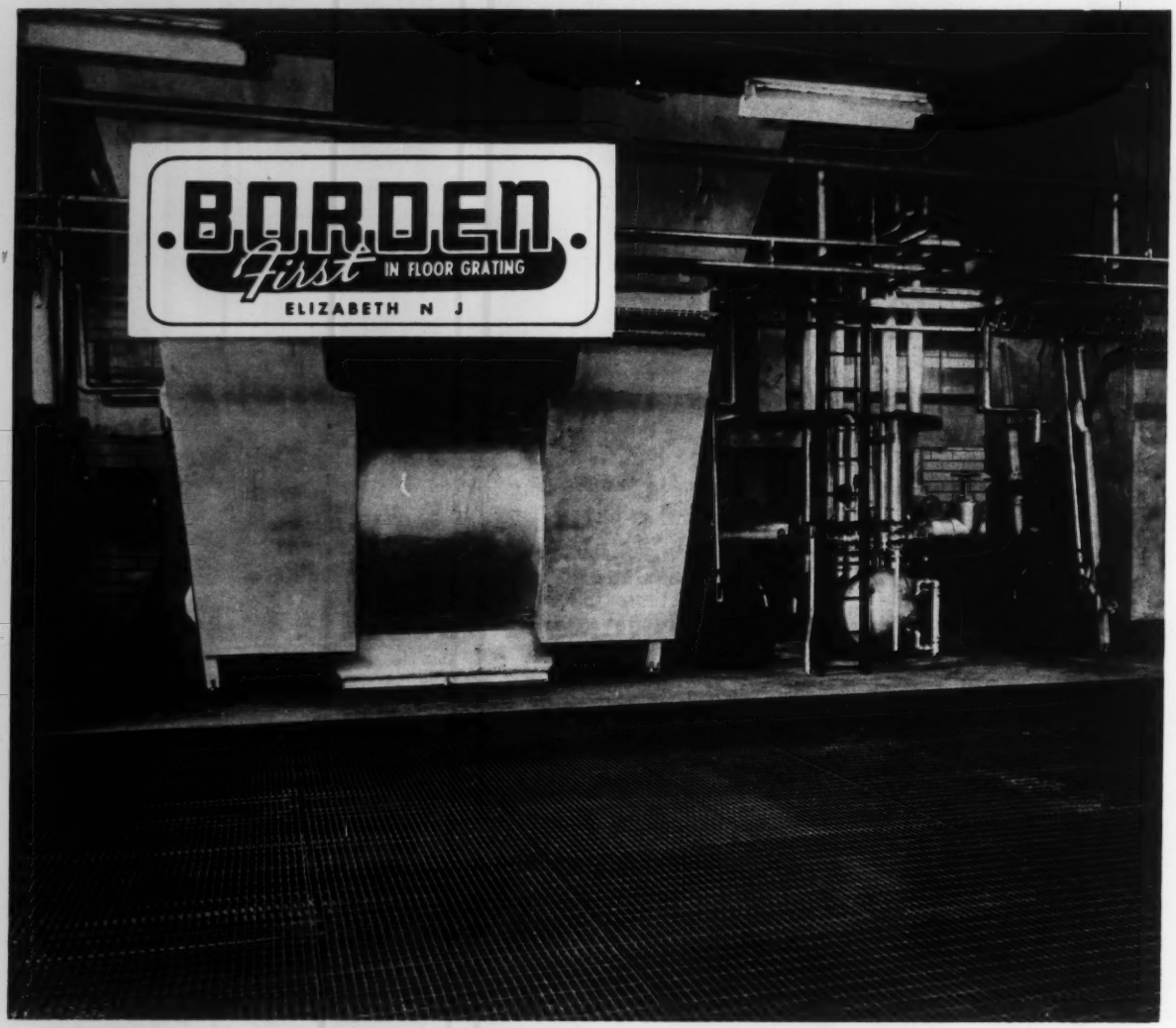

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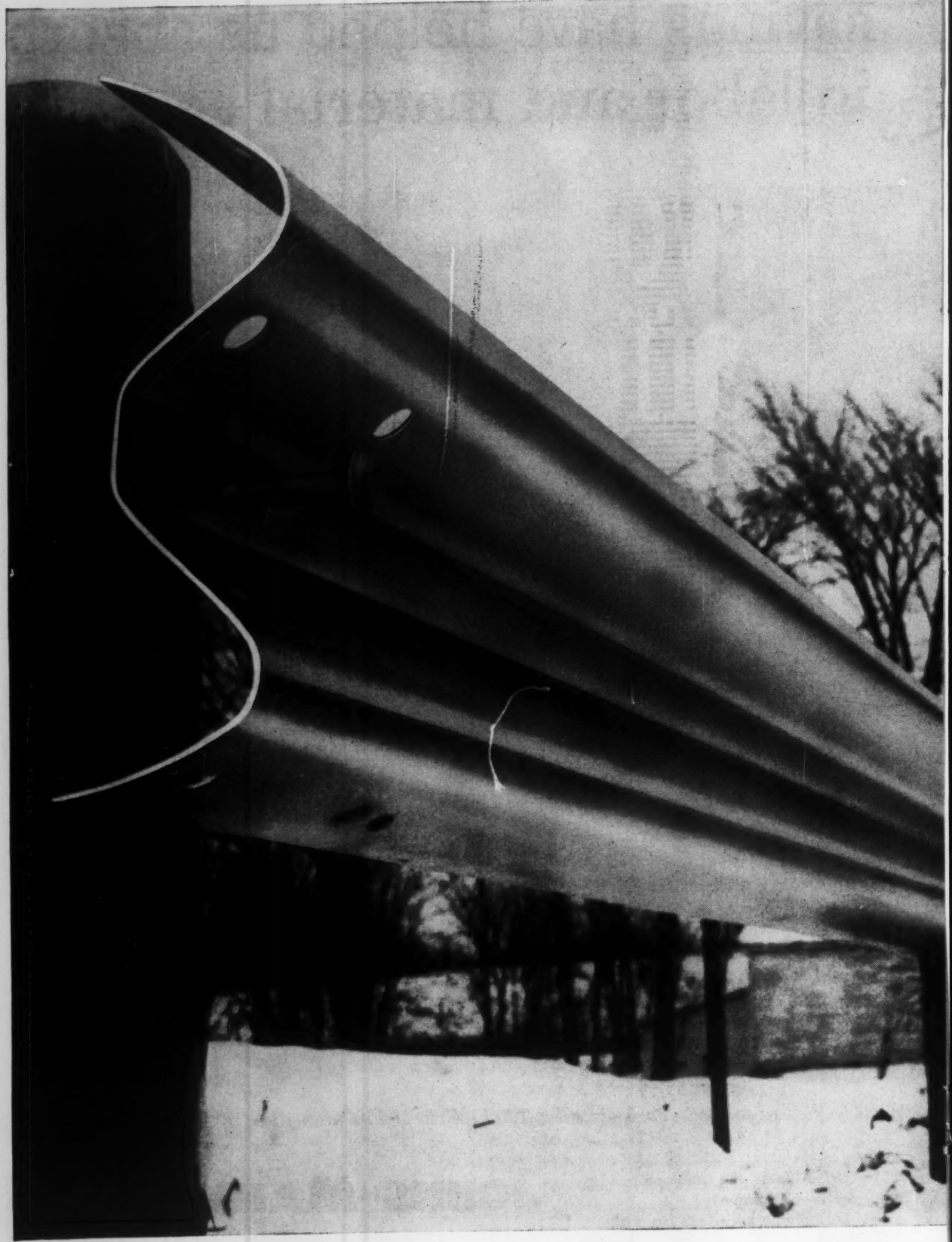

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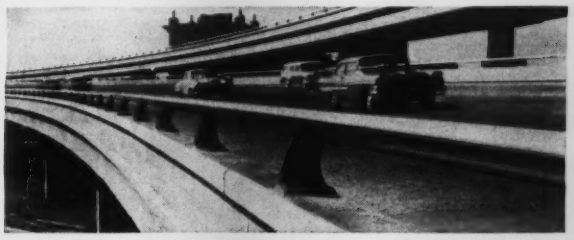

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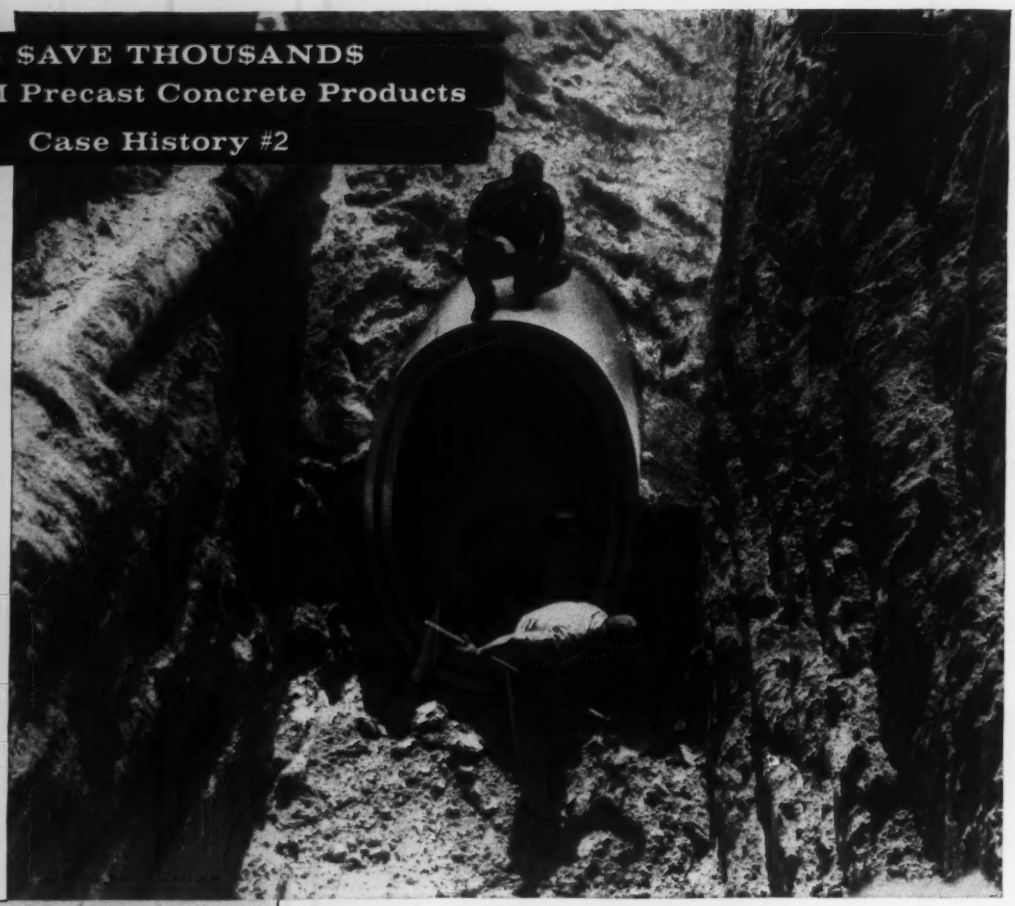

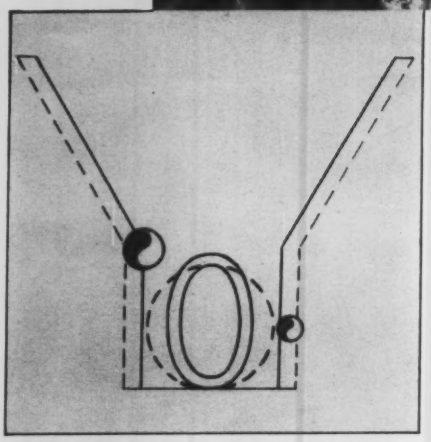

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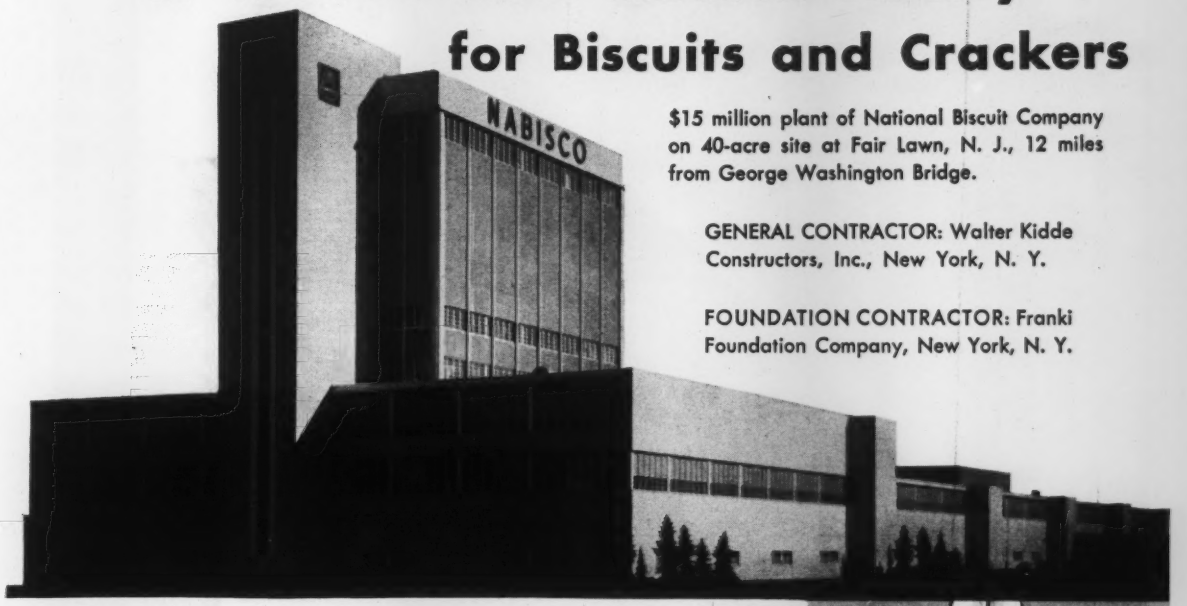

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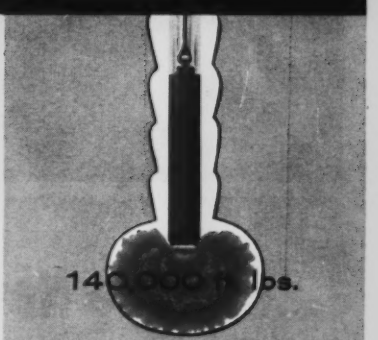

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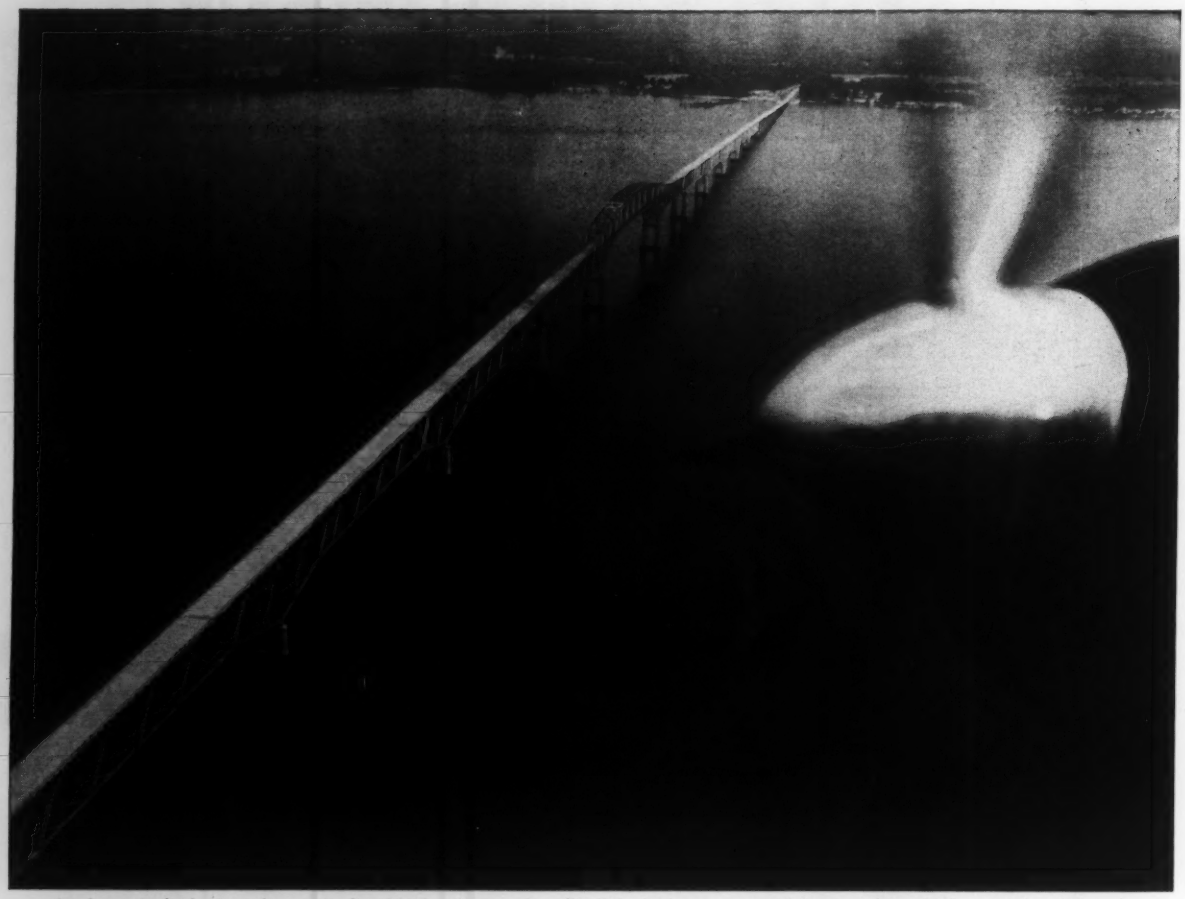

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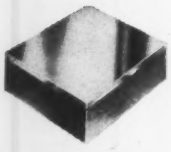

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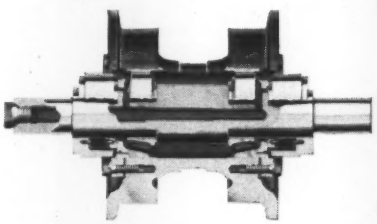

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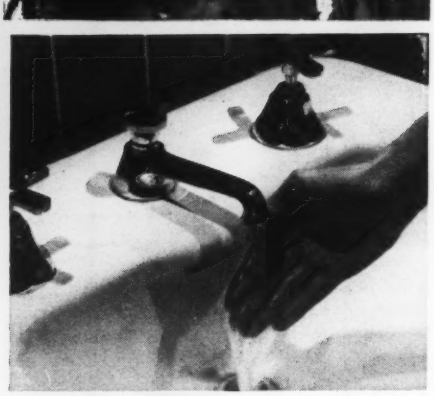

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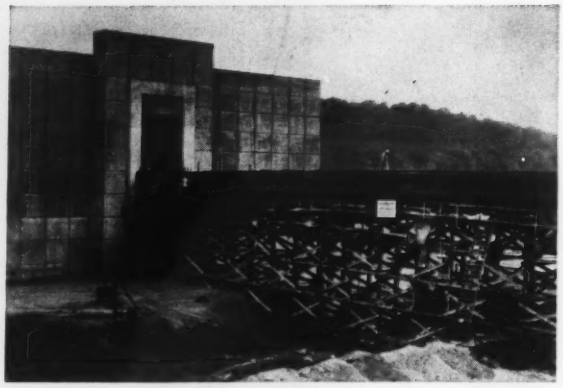

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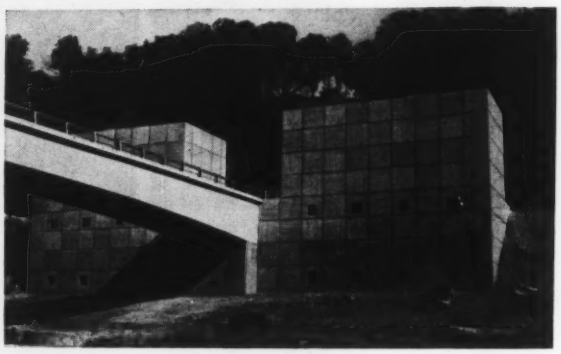

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CB&I turns the key on construction of Convair Supersonic Wind Tunnel

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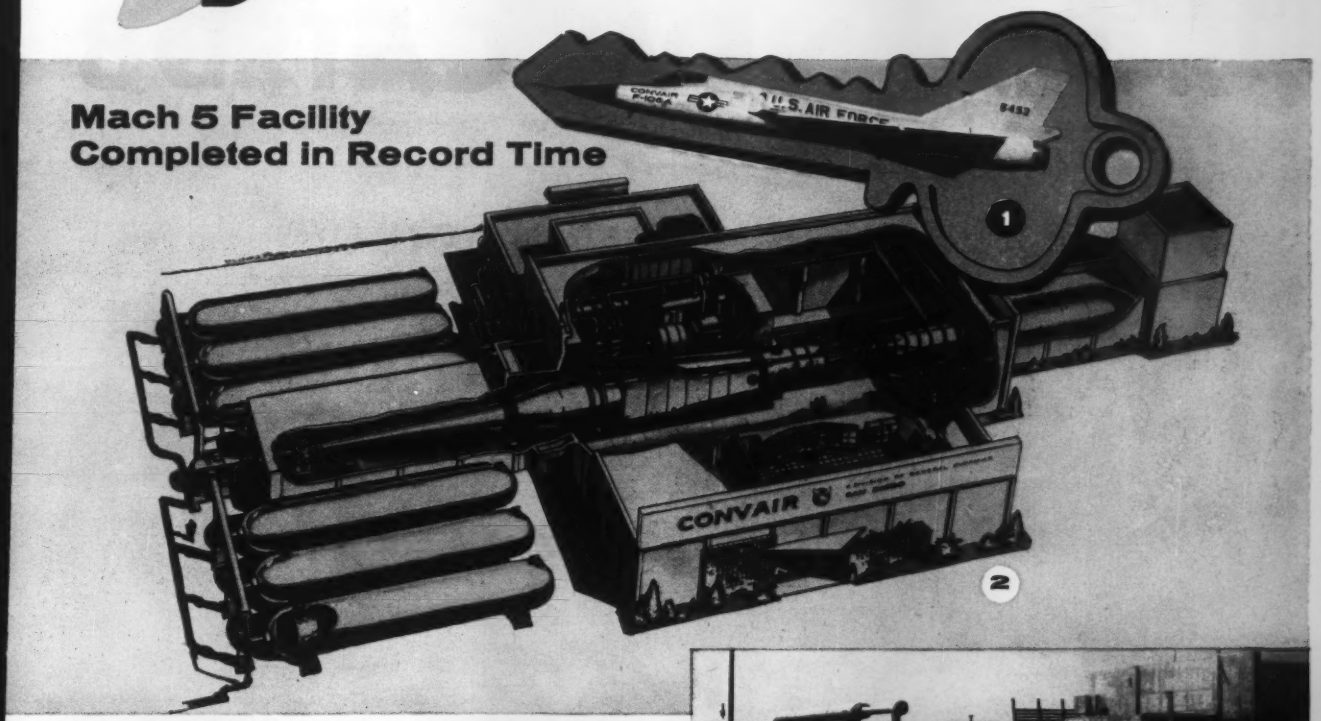

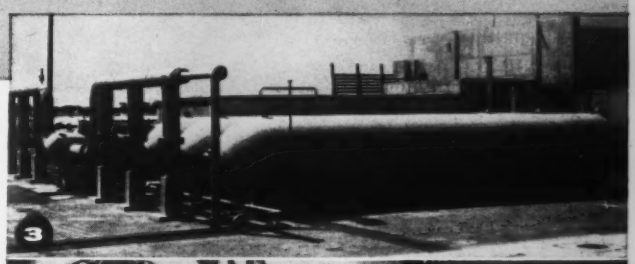

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1. F-106 A Delta Dart, supersonic all-weather interceptor being manufactured by Convair for the United States Air Force.

2. Sketch shows major components of CB&I-built 3,700 MPH wind tunnel at Convair plant, San Diego, California.

3. Six CB&I-built tanks store air at 600-psi for intermittent blow-down type tunnel.

4. Tunnel "throat" or nozzle is comprised of flexible plates to generate flow from Mach 1.6 to 5—was precision assembled to few thousandth of an inch accuracy.

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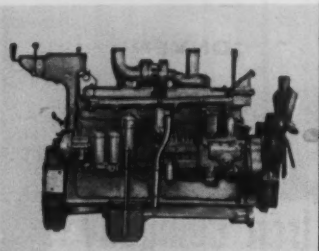

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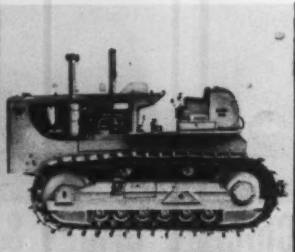
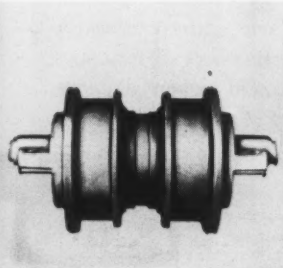


SIZE INCREASED. To make effective use of the new horsepower, over-all weight of the tractor has been increased 4,400 lb. to a total of 47,000 lb. At the same time the gauge has been increased to 84 inches, track on ground lengthened to 114 inches, square inches of contact increased to 5,505.



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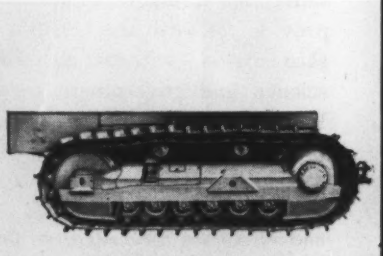

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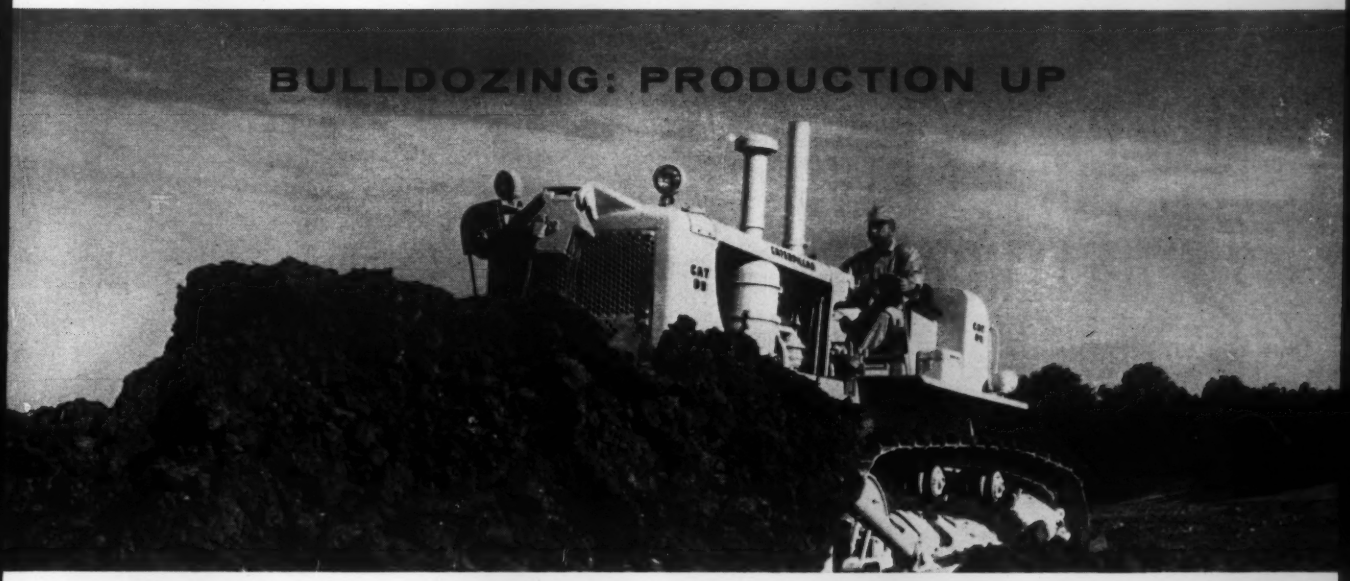

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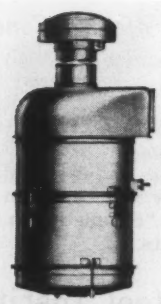

DRY-TYPE AIR CLEANER. Here's still another major Caterpillar research development on the new D8—the new dry-type cleaner which removes 99.8% of dirt in the intake air, even under severe operating conditions. The new cleaner can be serviced in 5 minutes, costs a good deal less to use.

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NEWS OF ENGINEERS

J. K. Gannett, a specialist in the industrial and commercial building field, retired January 1, after forty-three years with the Austin Company of Cleveland, Ohio, and fifteen as its vice president in charge of all engineering and research. Mr. Gannett is credited with many important "firsts." During World War II he established Austin's Special Devices Division to develop special electronic and optical devices for the U. S. Navy Bureau of Aeronautics, and more recently, he launched the company on a pioneer inquiry into the use of prestressed concrete beams in building construction.

J. K. Gannett

Theodore Leba, Jr., announces the removal of his office to 1710 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington 9, D.C. Mr. Leba, who specializes in structural engineering, was formerly with the Washington branch of the National Concrete Masonry Association.

A. Warren Simonds is retiring as head of the Foundations and Structural Behavior Section of the Bureau of Reclamation in Denver, after more than 31 years of service. Internationally recognized as an authority on foundations and grouting and author of numerous technical papers in the field, Mr. Simonds has served as an engineering advisor to various foreign governments.

Merrill C. Lorenz is the newly appointed director of public works of Ventura County, Calif. Mr. Lorenz has been director of the Processes Division of the U. S. Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory at Port Hueneme, Calif., for the past eight years. For a number of years he had his own consulting and contracting firm in Iowa.

Henry J. Miles has joined the staff of the University of Arizona as professor of civil engineering in charge of hydraulics and fluid mechanics. Until recently Dr. Miles was supervising engineer with International Engineering Company, San Francisco, Calif. He has taught at the University of Florida, the University of Southern California, and the A. & M. College of Texas.

Charles G. Hoerner, who is retiring as division engineer for the Board of Water Supply of the City of New York, was guest of honor at a recent testimonial dinner at the Hotel Lenape, Liberty, N.Y. Mr. Hoerner began his professional career shortly after graduation from Cooper Union in 1909 and has served the City in various engineering capacities continuously since then. During that tenure his duties have been directly concerned with the construction of nearly all the large dams, tunnels, and appurtenant structures of the city's vast upstate water supply systems. He will continue to reside in Ellenville, N. Y.

C. G. Hoerner

Robert Edmund Bald, former assistant chief engineer in the engineering department of the Lock Joint Pipe Company, of East Orange, N. J., has been named chief engineer of the Company. Mr. Bald joined the Lock Joint Pipe Company over ten years ago as a draftsman.

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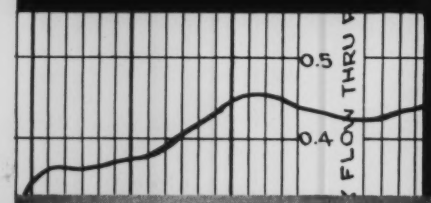

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Harold E. Hedger retired in January after twenty years as chief engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. During his tenure as chief engineer, Colonel Hedger supervised a flood control and water conservation program that has engendered international interest. In 1957 he served as a special consultant for the U. S. Government to the Ministry of Irrigation and Power of India. Colonel Hedger has been succeeded by Markham E. Salsbury, his senior aide for many years.

H. E. Hedger

Burdette K. Beebe has been made vice president and resident manager of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, Inc., engineers of Boston, Mass., in an expansion of the firm's activities. Mr. Beebe, a director of the firm, will be in charge of its new offices at Phoenix, Ariz. The new office will serve the western United States, Mexico, and Central America on engineering for military facilities, airports, express highways, bridges, industrial plants, port and terminal works, power plants, water supply and sewerage, drainage, and incinerators.

Edwards and Kelcey, engineers and consultants, announce that the following members of their Newark, N. J., and Boston, Mass., offices have been admitted as associates: **Wesley La Baugh,** highway engineer; **William J. Mulder, Jr.,** assistant to the chief engineer; **Norman Charles Possiel,** office engineer; **Nicholas M. Setteducato,** project engineer; and **Warren Travers,** junior engineer.

Vincent J. Vitagliano, assistant professor of civil engineering at Manhattan College, Riverdale, N. Y., has been awarded a $4,600 plus tuition Science-Faculty Fellowship by the National Science Foundation. The award will allow Professor Vitagliano to complete his studies for a doctorate in civil engineering at New York University. A graduate of Manhattan College with a master of science degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, he has been a member of Manhattan's faculty for five years.

Lester A. Robb has accepted an appointment as water resources planning engineer with the International Cooperation Administration in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Mr. Robb, formerly with the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, has previously served with the ICA in Beirut, Lebanon. For the past two years he has been in charge of the Bureau's Hydrology and Flood Control Branch in Carson City, Nev.

L. A. Robb

William H. Mitchell has transferred from his position as chief construction management engineer with the USAF Installations representative, New England Region, to the new position as chief regional engineer with the U. S. Post Office Department, Boston, Mass. He will have responsibility for the engineering program which includes research, construction, management analysis, mechanization and automation of postal installations and technical guidance on manpower utilization in the New England Region. Mr. Mitchell is chairman of the Society's 1960 Annual Convention to be held in Boston.

George Allen Young, associate professor of civil engineering at the University of Illinois, has accepted a position as chief of the Civil Engineering Section, Air Force Ballistic Missile Division, at Ingleside, Calif. Professor Young will serve as the chief consulting civil and architectural engineer of a developmental group that will provide the design criteria for private consulting engineering firms to follow, will recommend the private consulting firms to do the designs, and will finally approve the designs prepared by them.

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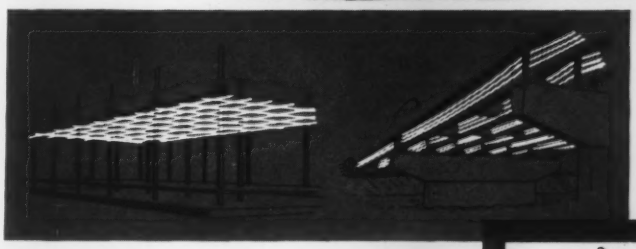
PATTERNS OF TOMORROW TODAY



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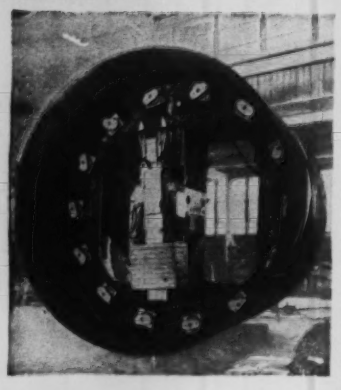

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NEWS OF ENGINEERS

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Mason G. Lockwood, Past-President of ASCE, has been elected president of the Houston Chamber of Commerce for 1959. Mr. Lockwood, a partner in the Houston consulting engineering firm of Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, was honored at a luncheon meeting of the 1959 directors in the Houston Club preceding the 118th annual meeting of the Chamber.

Jack R. Barnes, engineer-geologist, announces a change of address for the J. R. Barnes Engineering Company. The new offices are located at 9115 Barnet Road, Austin, Tex., while the new mailing address is Box 9222, Austin 17, Tex.

Lewis A. Young has been appointed secretary-manager of the Southern Clay Pipe Institute at its new offices at 1401 Peachtree Street, N. E. Atlanta, Ga. The Institute plans to expand its programs to include educational, experimental, and research activities. Mr. Lewis was formerly officer-in-charge of the U. S. Public Health Service's Southeast Drainage Basins Office in Atlanta. He has recently been elected vice president of the ASCE's Georgia Section.

Lewis A. Young

James H. Le Van has been relieved from duty as sanitary engineer director for the Health Research Facilities Branch, National Institutes of Health, U. S. Public Health Service, and detailed to the U. S. Coast Guard as chief sanitary engineer officer with headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Harold A. Fidler, former manager of the Atomic Energy Commission's San Francisco Operations Office at Oakland, Calif., has been appointed assistant to the director of the Ernest O. Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Fidler's association with the U. S. atomic energy program began in 1942 when he was given responsibility for the initial phases of research and development on the atomic bomb at the University of California.

Cecil H. Wells, Jr., consulting structural design engineer, has opened new offices at 2006 Pioneer Court, San Mateo, Calif. Mr. Wells lectures on structural engineering at Stanford University and Menlo College in California. He is also active in civic affairs as chairman of the San Mateo Planning Commission and vice president of the Tri-County Planning Council which serves San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara.

C. H. Wells, Jr.

James M. Hastings was recently made a partner in the consulting firm of Ketchum & Konkel, of Denver, Colo. The name of the firm will be changed to Ketchum, Konkel & Hastings. Mr. Hastings, who has been an associate in the firm since 1955, is a Lieutenant Commander in the Civil Engineer Corps of the Naval Reserve. Before joining Ketchum & Konkel he was structural engineer with Stearns-Roger Manufacturing Company, at Denver, for several years.

James Hastings

Leo Louis, Jr., vice president and general manager of the Gary-Hobart Corporation, of Gary, Ind., has been appointed to the National Defense Executive Reserve of the U. S. Department of Commerce's Business and Defense Services Administration. In this capacity Mr. Louis will be called on to staff the operation of an emergency production agency both at regional and national headquarters in event of hostilities involving this country.

Walter Schielke, former assistant to the vice president of the American Bridge Division, of U. S. Steel, at Houston, Tex., was recently made Southern area regional manager. Mr. Schielke will continue in the company's Houston offices.

Wright Hiatt, retired Colonel, Corps of Engineers, is a recent appointee to the post of managing engineer for the Atlantic-Gulf Division of the Asphalt Institute, with headquarters in College Park, Md. He will direct the Institute's engineering activities in twenty coastal and southern states, ranging from Maine to Louisiana. Colonel Hiatt joins the Asphalt Institute's field engineering staff from the New York consulting firm of Tippetts - Abbett - McCarthy - Stratton, where he has served as project engineer since his retirement from the military service in 1957.

Wright Hiatt

Whitney C. Huntington and **Nathan W. Dougherty,** Honorary Members of ASCE, are members of a team of experts in engineering teaching named by the American Society for Engineering Education to study plans for a new engineering school at Kanpur, India. The team is touring India for six weeks at the request of the Indian Ministry of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs and the U. S. International Cooperation Administration. They are visiting existing universities, colleges, and industrial plants in an attempt to evaluate tentative plans for the proposed new institute. Professor Huntington is pro-

fessor emeritus of civil engineering at the University of Illinois, and Professor Dougherty recently retired as dean of the College of Engineering at the University of Tennessee. Dean Dougherty is deputy director of the mission.

Charles I. Mansur has joined Luhr Bros., Inc., of Columbia, Ill., as chief engineer. Mr. Mansur was most recently vice president and chief engineer with the Independent Wellpoint Corporation of Baton Rouge, La.

Andrew C. Paton is a new partner in the firm of Metcalf & Eddy, engineers of Boston, Mass. In 1942 he joined Metcalf & Eddy as senior engineer on air base projects in North and South Carolina, leaving for wartime service as a lieutenant in the 84th Naval Construction Battalion serving in the Southwest Pacific. In 1951 he rejoined Metcalf & Eddy, where he has recently been director of operations in the Boston Office.

A. C. Paton

James H. Jiranek has been assigned as a sales representative to the Allentown, Pa., district of Allis-Chalmers Industries Group. A civil engineering graduate of Princeton University, Mr. Jiranek recently completed Allis-Chalmers' training course for graduate engineers.

David M. Greer, consulting soils and foundation engineer, and President of Greer Engineering Associates, Inc., of Montclair, N. J., announces the merger of his business with that of Woodward, Clyde, Sherard, and Associates of Oakland and San Diego, Calif.; Denver, Colo.; Kansas City, Mo.; and Omaha, Nebr. Mr. Greer will continue in charge of the Montclair office, which will operate under the name of Greer Engineering Associates, Inc., a Division of Woodward, Clyde, Sherard, and Associates.

David M. Greer

Charles M. Noble has resigned as Ohio director of highways to return to his home in Princeton, N. J. He will undertake consulting work on an advisory basis. Mr. Noble was chief engineer of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority at the time of his appointment to the Ohio highway post in January 1957.

Stanley E. Sporseen is joining North Pacific Consultants, a Portland, Ore. and Anchorage, Alaska, engineering firm, in a key position. He is one of the first appointees in an expansion program the firm has initiated. Mr. Sporseen was formerly head of the Project Planning Section of the Portland district of the Corps of Engineers.

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Voids Reduce Weight and Maintain Rigidity in Warped Slab

Garage ramp of Pacific Telephone & Telegraph office, Oakland, Calif. Ira Beals, architect; Pregnoff and Mather, engineers; R. F. Royden, contractor.

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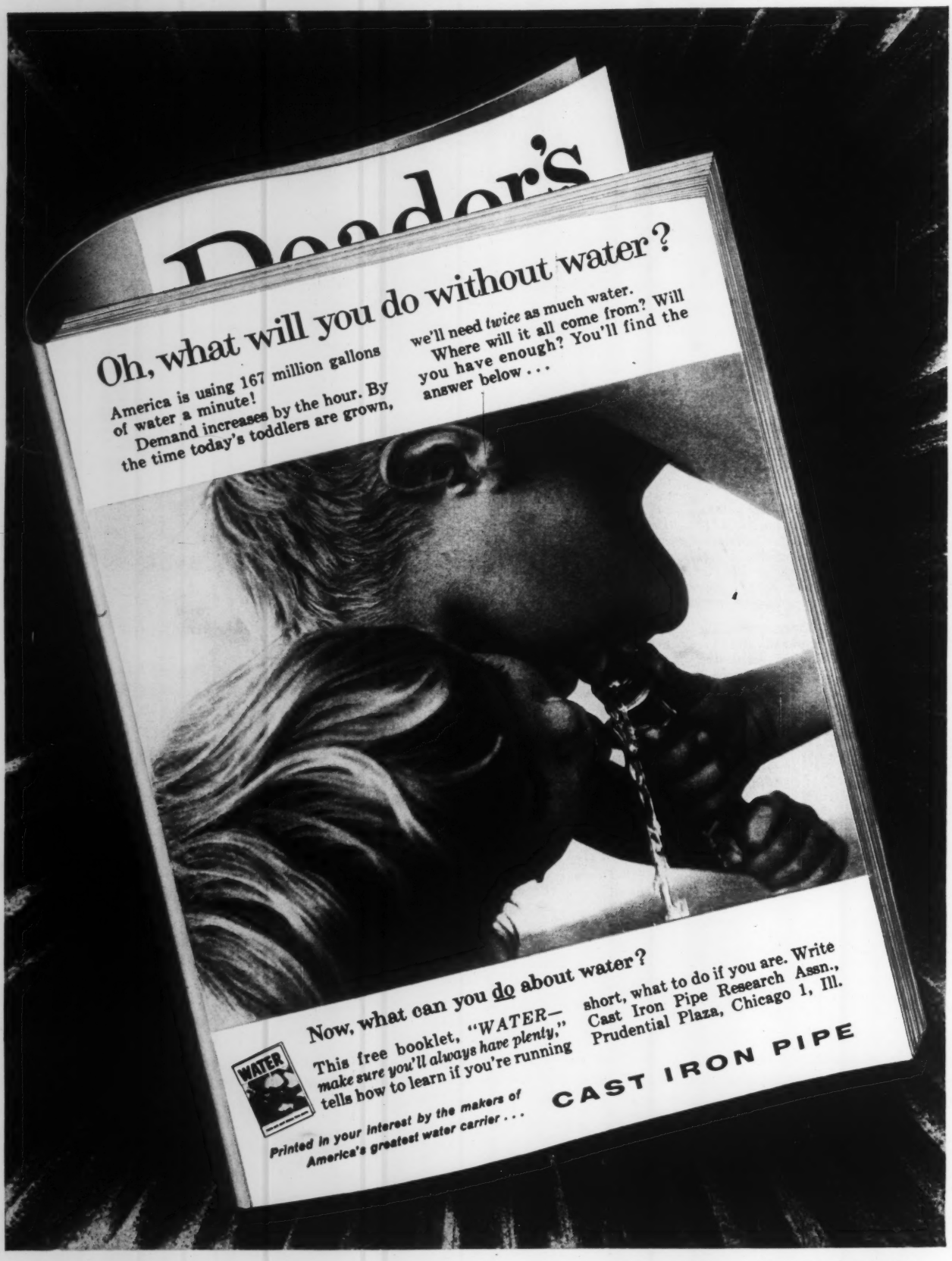
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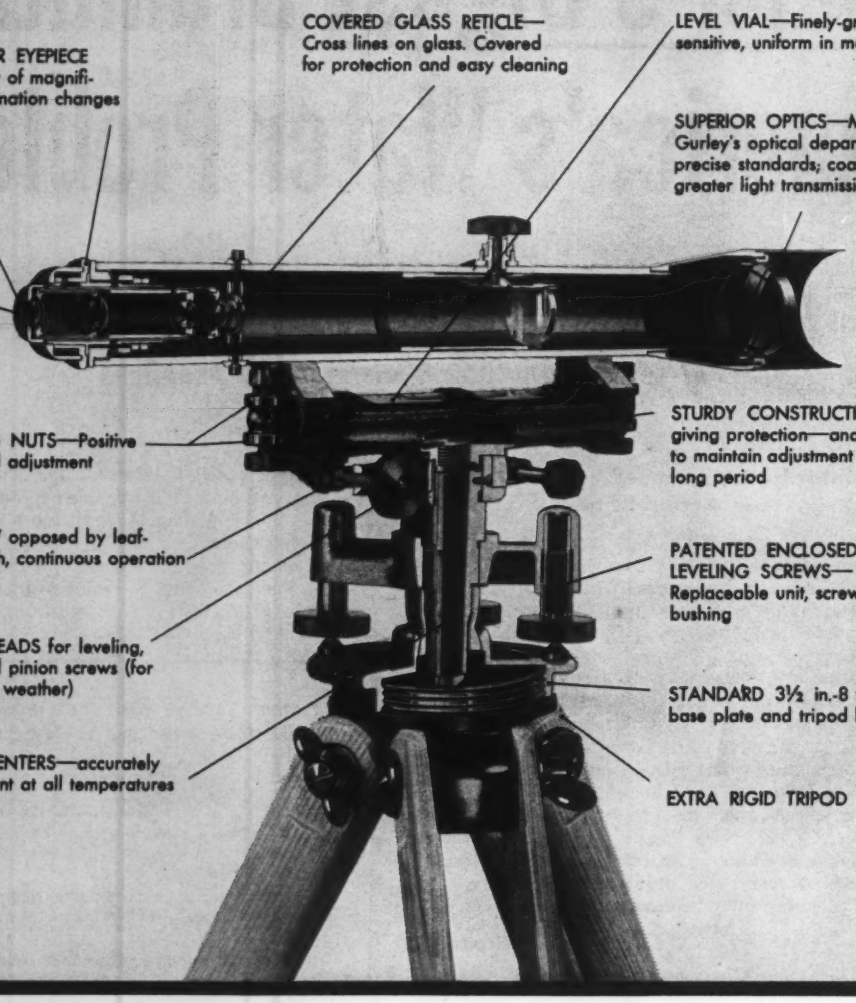
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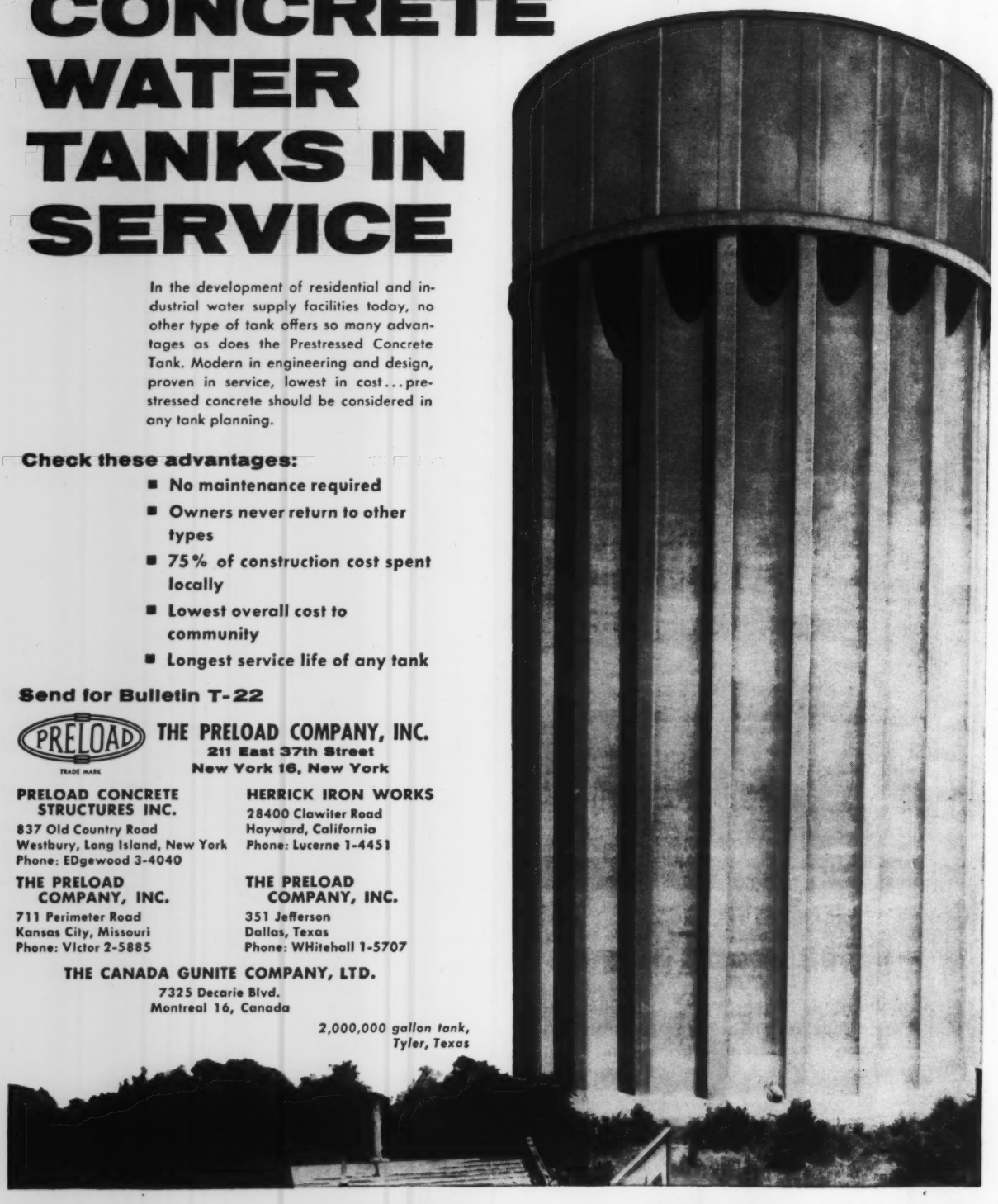

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▶▶ ASCE's attitude toward collective bargaining. . . . In response to requests for a statement of the official ASCE attitude toward labor unions for professionals, there is an article restating the Society's stand (page 75). In its twenty years of constructive interest in problems of unionization and collective bargaining, ASCE's sole desire has been to enable engineers to avoid inclusion in unions of non-professional employees and to permit them free choice of action. . . . Incidentally, two recent Supreme Court decisions affecting consulting engineers are reported by our Washington correspondent (page 84).

▶▶ In fiscal 1958 the Society had an unprecedented 41,377 members — an increase of 1,354 over 1957 and a giant leap from the ten-year-ago enrollment of about 26,000 at the end of 1949. . . . In 1958 the Technical Division Journals published 446 papers, an increase of 129 over the previous year.

▶▶ ASCE had a hand in the preparation of two new American Standards — Methods of Determining Areas in School Buildings and Methods of Determining Areas in Public Buildings. Irvine P. Gould was the ASCE representative on Sectional Committee Z65 of the American Standards Association, which formulated the standards.

▶▶ To one who has been foiled in trying to obtain career guidance literature for one of the major engineering branches, the ASCE list of guides available is particularly impressive: "You Can Be a Civil Engineer," "Your Career in Civil Engineering," "Civil Engineering — A Career," "After High School — What?", and "Brief Bibliography on Engineering as a Career."

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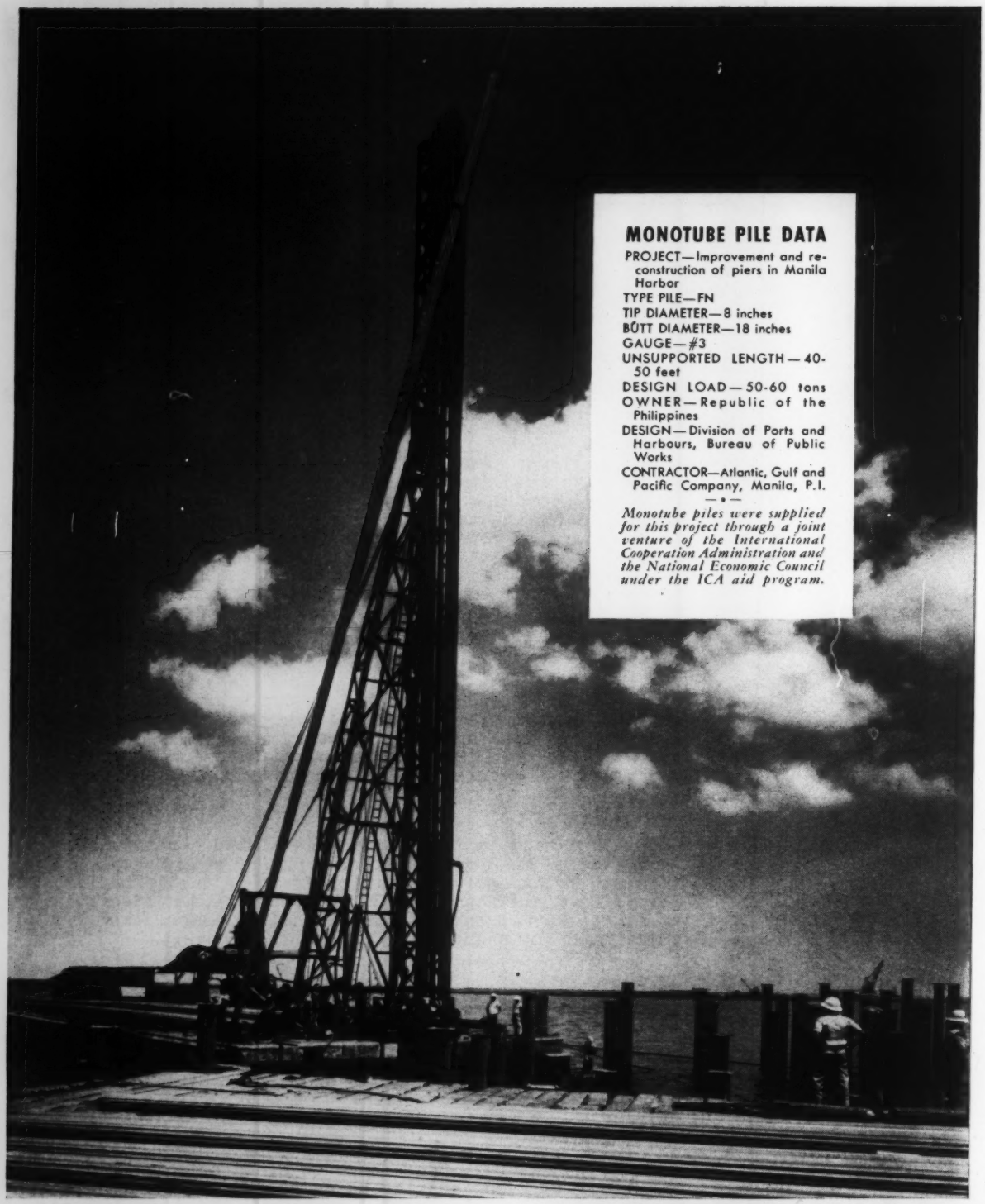

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Today's hotly disputed Capitol enlargement project is not the first? Ever since construction of the Capitol began in 1793, there have been studies to see how the famous structure could be enlarged without sacrificing its appearance. Exactly a hundred years ago, in 1859, the South Wing had been completed for the House of Representatives and the North Wing was nearing completion for the Senate. Construction of the dome was just starting. The present $4,000,000 enlargement project, which will move the historic facade 32½ ft, will provide more office space.

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Canada set a new record in 1958 for installation of hydroelectric generating capacity? A total of 2,485,040 hp of new capacity was brought into service. In 1954, the previous peak year, 1,758,450 hp of new capacity was completed. Ontario, with a total of 1,301,800 hp of new capacity (most of it from the St. Lawrence Power project), was the province contributing most to the 1958 record installation; Quebec was next with 900,000 hp.

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Smog control in Southern California suffered a setback in 1958? Though a million and a half backyard incinerators were eliminated last year and $70,000,000 was spent on control devices, the smog was worse than in any year since 1955. The pessimistic report comes from A. J. Haagen-Smit, professor of bio-organic chemistry at the California Institute of Technology and consultant to the Los Angeles County Air Pollution Control District. Dr. Haagen-Smit attributes the situation to the unusually high temperatures, with heavy loss of gasoline from carburetors and automobile gas-tank vents. During hot weather these evaporation losses are said to reach 40 tons an hour in the Los Angeles area. New studies of gasoline are underway.

In 1957, some 11,130 U. S. communities had sewer systems serving 98.4 million persons? This was slightly over 57 percent of the total estimated population. Of the sewered population, 22.3 percent discharged raw sewage and 77.7 percent treated sewage. These facts are released in a "Statistical Summary of Sewage Works in the United States," issued by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare and available from the Government Printing Office (Washington 25, D. C.) at 20 cents a copy.

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Japan is pushing a dam-building program? With forty-two multi-purpose dams either completed or nearing completion, the Japanese government plans for sixteen more to cost about $200,000,000. Construction will start this year.

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Six types of atomic reactors are operating in sizes large enough to demonstrate their power possibilities? They are (1) Pressurized Water, up to 2,000-psf pressure, (2) Boiling water, (3) Sodium Graphite, (4) Breeder, (5) Organic Moderator, and (6) Homogeneous. For this information, our thanks to the January issue of Purdue University's "Sanitary Engineering News."

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Steel capacity is now at a record 147.6 million tons? The nation's steelmaking capacity increased nearly 7 million tons in the past year—to a record 147,633, 670 tons annually, as of January 1—according to the American Iron and Steel Institute. The new capacity is 61 percent higher than the potential at the end of the war and over 30 million tons above the industry's greatest annual production (117 million tons in 1955). Much of the increase in 1958 is attributed to the installation of new oxygen furnaces in several steel plants.

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The 1959 Nuclear Congress is set for Cleveland? the dates are April 5-10, and the place the Cleveland Public Auditorium. Engineers Joint Council is coordinating the congress for the thirty participating societies (ASCE among them, of course). The Congress will include the Fifth Nuclear Engineering and Science Conference, the Seventh Atomic Energy Management Conference, the Seventh Hot Laboratories Conference, and an "Atom-fair." Congress manager is T. A. Marshall, Jr. c/o Engineers Joint Council, 29 West 39th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

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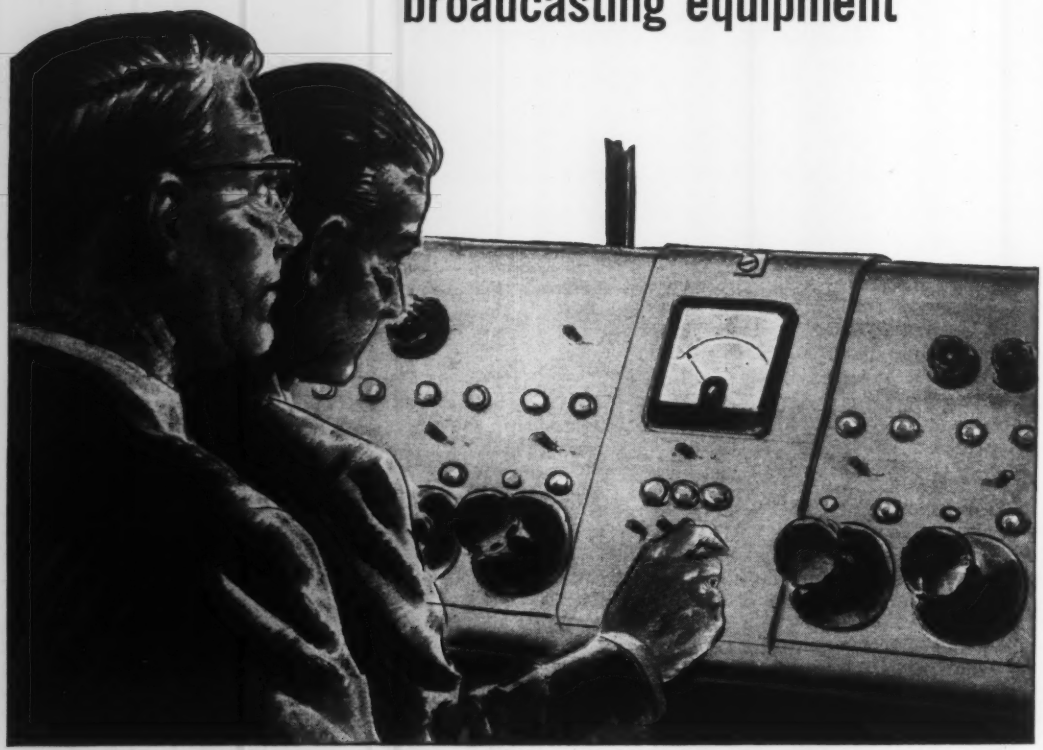

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SOIL MECHANICS in action

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The phrase "soil mechanics in action" is here applied to the use of soil mechanics as a tool in engineering practice. Some tools, like the slide rule, can be expertly used after reading the instructions; others, like the apparatus for geophyiscal subsoil exploration, can be used with tolerable confidence only after many years of experimentation. Soil mechanics belongs very definitely in the second category. The writer has never failed to point out in the prefaces to his books on soil mechanics that their contents should be used only as guides for judgment. They cannot be utilized successfully unless and until the reader has acquired a capacity for judgment, and this capacity can be gained only by years of contact with field conditions. Unfortunately it is a widespread habit among the readers of books to skip the preface.

Consider a college graduate who has passed his course in soil mechanics and absorbed the contents of his textbooks. Since such graduates are in great demand, he may be hired fresh from school by an employer who considers him an expert. The activities of such "experts" have led to what was recently described as the "crisis in soil mechanics." (Henry Lossier, "La crise de confiance de la mecanique du sol," *Le Genie Civil*, July 1958.)

If our graduate starts his career on a large job, eager to practice the principles he has learned, he is likely to find the essential facts concealed beneath a thick deposit of tables, graphs and cryptic memoranda resembling a tropical jungle. Such deposits are found on all large projects because such jobs are always preceded by large amounts of boring and testing. These operations cost money, and the accumulation of records is necessary to show the uninitiated that the money has been well invested.

The bulkiness of the records is inevitable, because adequate design in earthwork commonly requires a vast amount of factual data. The percentage of significant information may range from almost zero to close to a hundred percent, depending on the qualifications of the man who prepared the subsoil exploration program. Even an excellent record cannot serve a useful purpose unless its contents are thoroughly digested and condensed. This task may require weeks of concentrated effort, and on a large job none of the members of the organization may find the time to tackle it. Some examples are of interest.

The site for a tall office building was explored by test borings, spaced 50 ft both ways. From the results it was concluded that the subsoil consisted of a thick layer of soft clay separated from the surface of the bedrock by a stratum of dense sand and gravel with an average thickness of 10 ft. Therefore it was decided to found the building on clusters of point-bearing concrete piles driven to refusal through the clay into the sand and gravel.

During construction a record was kept of the elevation of the lower end of each pile and of the depth of penetration for the last ten blows. For one pile per cluster, the penetration per blow was measured from the start to the end of the pile-driving operation. The records left no doubt that each pile was driven to refusal. Yet a few months after construction was completed, cracks developed in the main walls and a subsequent survey showed a differential settlement of about two inches in the foundations of this wall. In the next four years the settlement increased to about 7 in. This development took everybody connected with the job by surprise, and widely different opinions were expressed concerning its causes. Yet the real cause was not even suspected, because nobody had paid any attention to the fact that in each pile cluster the elevation at which piles met refusal varied by as much as 15 ft.

Subsequent digest of the pile-driving records showed clearly that the continuous stratum of sand and gravel postulated on the basis of the boring records did not exist. The sand and gravel occurred in the form of thick lenses scattered through the lowest part of the clay deposit. The piles met refusal as soon as they penetrated the uppermost lenses, and the unequal settlement was caused by consolidation of the soft clay between the lenses and bedrock. The discontinuity of the layer of sand and gravel was disclosed quite clearly by the pile-driving for the first cluster. At that stage it would not have been too late to revise the foundation design, but the pile-driving records were filed away before they were analyzed.

In another region a heavy industrial building was to be constructed on a thick layer of inorganic silt. Because unequal settlement would seriously interfere with the operation of the machinery, the specifications as to maximum tolerable settlement were very severe. Therefore, before construction numerous loading tests were performed at the bottom of shafts, at the elevation of the basement floor. Results indicated that the bearing capacity of the silt stratum was inadequate, and a mat foundation was chosen, to rest on point-bearing piles with a length of more than 100 ft.

When the writer was asked to review the project, he noticed a striking discrepancy between the results of the loading tests and the geological conditions. According to the loading tests the bearing capacity of the subsoil was that of a soft, normally consolidated silt, whereas the geologic history of the site left no doubt that the silt was precompressed under a load far in excess of the unit load due to the weight of the proposed structure. Further inquiries disclosed the following fact. The bottom of the shafts in which the loading tests were performed was at

a considerable depth below the water table. The shafts were drained by bailing, and the seepage pressure of the water rising towards the bottom of the shafts had reduced the bearing capacity of the silt to a small fraction of its original value. On the strength of this finding the writer recommended—in spite of the protests of the manufacturers of the mechanical equipment—that the piles be omitted, without changing the design of the mat foundation. The proposal was accepted, and the differential settlement of the structure was well below the specified upper limit.

Grouting in stratified rock

On a construction job abroad, involving large-scale grouting in stratified rock, the capacity of the rock to take grout appeared to be unlimited, and the writer was asked to investigate. The site had been thoroughly explored by borings and a geologic survey, and a record had been kept of every detail of the grouting work. However the records contained no data on ground elevations. As soon as heave observations were started, at the writer's request, it became evident that the ground surface rose during grouting by amounts almost exactly equal to the volume of grout pumped into the rock. When a test trench was dug, it could be seen that the grout had formed thick lenses at areas of contact between different strata. These lenses centered about the grout holes, but most of the joints and fissures above and below the lenses were open.

Geological evidence

Inadequate attention to geological details not disclosed by the borings also may cause trouble. A multiple-arch dam had been built on a sedimentary rock formation consisting of layers of practically impervious shale separated by layers of porous and intensely jointed sandstone. Construction was preceded by a considerable amount of boring and testing.

Before the reservoir was filled for the first time, shear cracks developed in one of the buttresses, and the writer was asked to investigate. During this investigation he discovered that the shale stratum responsible for the shear cracks was underlain by a jointed sandstone stratum having an outcrop within the reservoir area, but none downstream from the dam. If the reservoir had been filled, the joint system of the sandstone would have been invaded by water under a pressure far above the unit load due to the weight of the shale stratum lying above the downstream sandstone. The shale bed would have been lifted off its seat and the dam would have failed by sliding on its base. Once this danger was realized, it was a simple matter to eliminate it by relief wells.

In some cases the essential facts become clear as soon as the observational data are replotted, without further investigation. A high concrete gravity retaining wall had been built on dense sand and gravel above a stratum of clay. Soon after backfilling was started the wall began to tilt outward. The movement of its crest was measured at short time intervals, and the results were plotted to a large scale, one inch equal to one day. On account of inevitable observational errors, the plotted lines were very irregular.

When the crest had moved out 8 in., the owners began to fear that the wall would fail by overturning and sent the displacement record to the writer with a request that he submit proposals for underpinning. When the data were replotted on a single sheet to a scale of 1 in. equal to 10 days, the narrow band occupied by the points representing horizontal displacement showed clearly that the movement could be expected to cease before the crest displacement became equal to one foot. On the large-scale diagram the ups and downs of the measured points had camouflaged the basic trend.

Uninterpreted data

If the observational data are only in the form of tables, they may not even serve as warning signals. A case in point was encountered at the site of an industrial plant located above the seat of brine production. At this site, an area with a diameter of about 300 ft subsided within a few hours through a vertical distance of about 20 ft and changed into a lake. During the process some of the life lines of the plant were cut and adjacent buildings collapsed. Nobody had suspected the danger until the first structure went down. Yet for six years preceding the formation of this sinkhole, the elevation of numerous points in the area had been measured several times a year and the results assembled in tables. Settlement curves plotted from these tables, after the subsidence had occurred, showed that the rate of settlement had already started to increase one and a half years before the catastrophe. For a week before the sinkhole was formed, the settlement amounted to more than one inch per day.

To these few case records many others could be added to show how significant data can be concealed in a maze of details. Furthermore, if decisive factors are overlooked, the conclusions derived from an investigation may be very misleading. For instance a great deal of time and money may be spent on testing at the site of a deep side cut, but if no data are secured on seasonal variations of pore pressure, which in some regions may amount to more than 10 psi, the subsequent performance of the slope may surprise the investigator.

When a novice enters the field of earthwork engineering he enters a jungle of data. If he hopes that his knowledge in soil mechanics will provide him with ready-made solutions for all his problems, he will probably soon conclude that such knowledge operates satisfactorily only in the classroom, and he will gradually forget what he has learned. But if he has a more adventurous spirit and more inquisitive mind, he will take a bushknife and plunge into the jungle. Then he will get his first taste of soil mechanics in action. At the same time he will realize, without having read the writer's prefaces, that it will take him years of wielding the bushknife before he will be justified in considering himself competent in the field he has chosen. After he has become competent he may rise, at a later date, to expertness in earthwork engineering; but that is a long and strenuous journey, and not necessarily successful.

Expertness in this field requires a combination of experience, the keen gift for observation that was characteristic of the ablest engineers among our forefathers, and the insight into the physical causes of the performance of structures which soil mechanics has added to our store of knowledge. To achieve such expertness, effort alone is not enough. It requires innate qualifications over which we have no control.

Initiative and imagination

In soil mechanics, the principal benefit to be derived from training in theory consists in acquiring the habit of associating cause and consequence in earthwork engineering. To retain this habit in the face of complex reality requires initiative and imagination in addition to a thorough knowledge of fundamentals.

Soil mechanics will not consistently serve its purpose until practicing engineers come to realize that it is a supplement to, and not a substitute for, common sense combined with knowledge acquired by experience. Many years ago the bottle-washer in the soils laboratory of the Bureau of Public Roads in Arlington, Va., made the following remark to the writer, "Ef yo' ain' got no college education, yo' sho' does have to use yo' brains." The graduate who enters the field of earthwork engineering must get used to the idea that he has to use his brains and judgment all the time—even in the event that he knows the writer's *Theoretical Soil Mechanics* by heart.

Highway ramp areas become flood control reservoirs

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The step-by-step unfurling of ribbons of concrete and asphalt known as the Interstate Highway Program brings one set of problems to the bridge designer and a different set to the roadway designer. The motorist, bedeviled by stop lights, neon lights and the crawl of heavy traffic on inadequate arteries becomes happier with each new mile constructed. He has learned to accelerate on acceleration lanes, decelerate on deceleration lanes and keep right except to pass. The new 1975 highways will bring him no problems except possibly the one of staying awake on long runs.

The sad municipal engineers

Not becoming happier are suburbia's municipal engineers whose close-packed towns usually find themselves playing host to the new expressway alignments. Traffic-choked metropolitan centers are increasingly seeking to untangle their intertwined roadway networks by constructing belt routes, freeways and other non-stop bypasses to help alleviate traffic bottlenecks. Adding to the local woes are the problems of alignment, right-of-way acquisition, utility relocation, detours, and the general fuss of construction by heavy equipment.

After the usual political harassment over routes and the location of interchanges settles down, the design of the new roadway begins. The beleaguered village engineering consultant, in time, goes through the procedure of approving the drawings. Everything seems fine —just fine.

Then one day it rains. It rains the

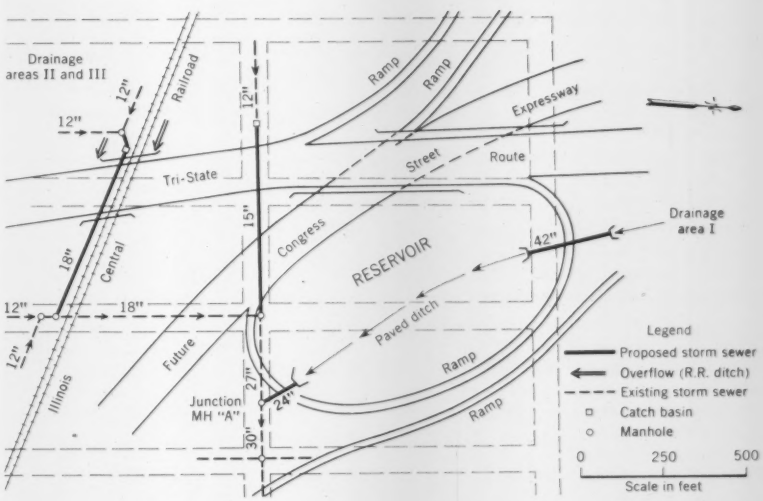


FIG. 1. On new Northern Illinois Toll Highway, at village of Berkeley, Ill., ponding area was created for temporary storage of storm runoff. See also photo above.

next day. It's still raining the morning of the third. Our municipal man then reexamines the new freeway drawings and begins to sweat. Throughout the drawings it seems, he finds notes saying "Connect 18" BCCMP to existing manhole," or "Contractor shall connect drain outlet to existing street inlet at El. 22.0±."

Painfully aware, perhaps, of the underdesigned capacity of his existing municipal storm drainage system or in ignorance perhaps of the tricks played by "time of concentration," he sees only a mass of "extra" storm water further taxing the existing system. Whether the additional impervious run-off area contributed by new highway pavement will overburden his system beyond capacity is often open to question. But the local engineer usually doesn't take a cheerful view of the situation.

A suggested solution

After the furor of impending superhighway construction has been accepted by the community, the highway consultant and the host of local public works departments can still be friends on this matter of roadway drainage. As the swath to be cut through local street patterns and utilities becomes evident, during the design of limited-access roads, there are many little improvements to local systems that can be incorporated in the roadway drawings. Local fears of inundation by "a wall of water" can be dispelled. A little swapping of advantages makes both sides feel better. All-around community improvement is often the result. Most important perhaps, and often practicable, is taking the storm-drainage bull by the horns and really providing a local improvement—and at no cost to anyone.

The time-honored solution of providing ponding areas (sometimes called flood-control reservoirs), long used in the design of major control works, is usually overlooked. The inclusion of such areas in highway drainage systems is easy. And the result is foolproof.

But why bother? Actually, there are many advantages to be gained. First, let's recognize that an alignment through suburban towns and villages usually results in more interchanges per mile than a route out in open country. The geometry that dictates modern interchanges can be the salvation of the designer who is looking for a place to create a storm-water storage area—especially the trumpets, half-trumpets and cloverleafs.

Second, since there's never enough borrow available for the freeway profiles necessary in metropolitan areas, no one will object to some extra excavation between highway ramps. Suddenly we have a ponding area. We have now created a place for the temporary storage of highway drainage, until it can conveniently enter the sewer system of our previously worried municipal engineer. The action is somewhat akin to that of a freight train shunted off on a side track to wait for the Broadway Limited to go by. When peak flows in the local system have subsided, then and only then will the control reservoir begin contributing. No maintenance controls are required other than those dictated by the laws of hydraulics—the size of the reservoir outlet pipe.

Third, the expensive alternative of laying 4,500 lin ft of pipe in a built-up area is avoided.

An example in Illinois

We are pleased, as designers of a part of the new Northern Illinois Toll Highway, to provide an illustration of the working of such a ponding area. The municipality that stood to gain in this case was the village of Berkeley, Ill. See Fig. 1.

Berkeley has a population of 4,000 and is located 17 miles west of Chicago's Loop. The village is provided with separate sanitary and storm-sewer systems. The storm system was built in 1928 utilizing concrete pipe. Design capacities were based on a 10-year storm —a typical practice in municipal work.

Topographically Berkeley is relatively flat, and this too is typical of areas surrounding most of our large metropolitan centers. Flat slopes, designers are aware, dictate the use of larger conduits.

Berkeley, like its neighbors, finds its existing storm system underdesigned—in spots. This too is typical. In the thirties no one could clearly foresee the postwar population explosion, the concurrent move to the suburbs, and the widespread reclamation of low lands for development.

How a ponding reservoir works

Berkeley's new ponding reservoir will work as follows. There will be three drainage areas contributing flow to the existing 30-in. discharge line, as shown in Fig. 1.

The first drainage area formerly discharged overland, and only a small part of the flow was collected by the existing storm-sewer system. Building of the toll highway, however, made it necessary to divert this flow. This was accomplished to the satisfaction of all by providing the reservoir. A 42-in. pipe carries the flow into the reservoir and a 24-in. pipe acts as outlet.

The 42-in. pipe will have a peak flow equal to the peak discharge of the drainage area of 65 cfs for a storm of 25-year frequency. The size is governed only by the upstream maximum allowable ponding requirements of the toll highway, since the reservoir water level does not get sufficiently high to create a tailwater effect.

The 24-in. size of the discharge pipe is governed by the desired flow conditions.

Drainage Areas II and III are drained by an existing sewer system, which will be left intact except for replacement in some areas where pipe of greater structural strength is needed to carry the load of the additional highway fill. This replacement is only a precautionary measure as it is estimated that the soil around the existing pipe has already reached full compression and will thus aid in carrying the new fill load. These two areas have a combined peak 25-year flow frequency of 58 cfs. In the existing sewer system, however, characteristics are such that the maximum flow reaching junction MH "A" is 20 cfs. The remaining flow discharges through an upstream overflow system which has a wide enough area so that the flood level is raised no more than a negligible amount, thus keeping the flow through this system constant at 20 cfs during the time that the combined drainage areas contribute 20 cfs or more. This 20 cfs is not affected by the flow level in junction MH "A", as the flow in the existing sewer system has independent upstream control until it reaches this junction.

A minute-by-minute description

The flow patterns are as follows for a storm of 25-year frequency.

Time, 6 minutes. By this time discharge into the reservoir from drainage Area I has reached 22 cfs. Flow into junction MH "A" from drainage Areas II and III has reached 20 cfs.

The water level in junction MH "A" will be greater than the water level in the reservoir and the junction MH will discharge both downstream into the existing 30-in. sewer, and upstream through the 24-in. reservoir outlet pipe and into the reservoir. See Figs. 2 and 3(*a*). The existing 30-in. sewer has flow characteristics such that the level of flow in junction MH "A" will control its discharge.

This upstream flow could have been prevented by a small change in the impounding characteristics of the reservoir, without affecting the overall desired flow conditions. However, it was deemed desirable since it reduced the early discharge of the existing storm-sewer system, thus improving early downstream flow conditions.

Time, 32 minutes. After this period of time, discharge into the reservoir from drainage Area I has reached the peak flow of 65 cfs. See Fig. 4.

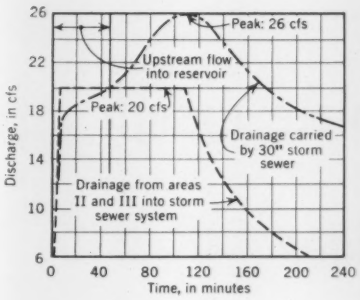

Peak: 26 cfs
Upstream flow into reservoir
Peak: 20 cfs
Drainage carried by 30" storm sewer
Drainage from areas II and III into storm sewer system
Discharge, in cfs
Time, in minutes

FIG. 2. Hydrograph for 25-year storm shows discharge from Areas II and III into existing storm-sewer system.

Flow into junction MH "A" from drainage Areas II and III remains at 20 cfs, as previously explained, even though the drainage areas have reached a peak discharge at 58 cfs.

The flow level has risen both in the reservoir and at junction MH "A." However the level of the reservoir has risen at a faster rate because of the heavy discharge into it whereas the small increase in water level at the MH junction is caused by a need for a slightly greater downstream flow to compensate for the diminishing upstream discharge into the reservoir. This diminishing upstream discharge is due to the decreasing difference in water levels.

Time, 50 minutes. Discharge to the reservoir from drainage Area I has dropped to 48 cfs. Flow into junction MH "A" from drainage Areas II and III remains at 20 cfs.

The water level has risen both in the reservoir and at junction MH. However, the reservoir level has reached the water level at junction MH "A" and there is no flow between the two. From this time on, the reservoir will discharge into junction MH "A." See Fig. 3(*b*).

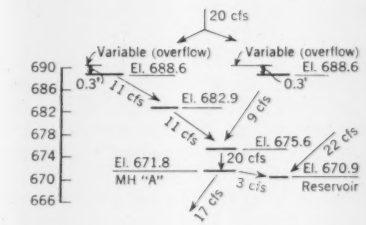
Time, 120 minutes. Flow into junction MH "A" from drainage Areas II and III has fallen below 20 cfs and all flow from these drainage areas will now discharge into the storm system. The overflow system is now idle.

Flow into the reservoir has fallen to 18 cfs.

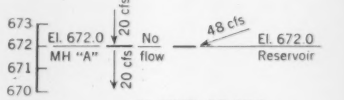
Discharge from the reservoir to MH "A" has increased to 9 cfs.

The water level has risen both in the reservoir and at junction MH. However, the water level at junction MH "A" has reached its peak. This is the point at which the existing 30-in. sewer will obtain a maximum combined discharge from all three drainage areas of 26 cfs.

This late storm peak compares very favorably with the former early storm peak of 20 cfs for a considerably smaller drainage area. See Fig. 3(*c*).



(*a*) TIME, 6 MIN.



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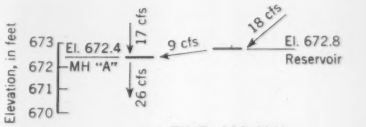
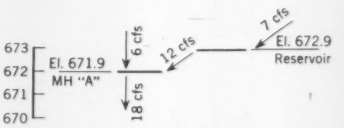


(*c*) TIME, 120 MIN.

(*d*) TIME, 150 MIN.



(*e*) TIME, 210 MIN.

FIG. 3. Relative water levels at junction MH "A" and in reservoir are shown for five time intervals.

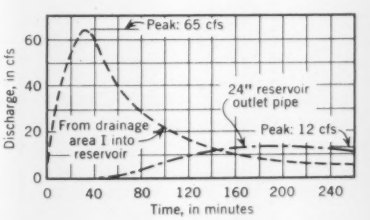


FIG. 4. Hydrograph for 25-year storm shows discharge into reservoir from drainage Area I and into 24-in. reservoir outlet pipe.

Time, 150 minutes. Flow into junction MH "A" from drainage Areas II and III has fallen to 11 cfs and the water level in MH "A" has dropped to El. 672.1.

The reservoir has risen to a level such that the difference in head between the reservoir and junction MH "A" causes a reservoir discharge equal to the reservoir inflow. This is the maximum water level reached in the reservoir.

Discharge in the existing 30-in. sewer has fallen to 22 cfs. See Fig. 3(*d*).

Time, 210 minutes. The flow from drainage Areas II and III has fallen to 6 cfs and that from drainage Area I has fallen to 7 cfs.

Both the reservoir water level and the MH water level are falling. However, hydraulic characteristics result in a peak reservoir discharge. This is due to the greatly reduced total discharge of 18 cfs, which in turn requires a reduced water level at junction MH "A." At the same time there is only a slight drop in the reservoir level below its peak. See Fig. 3(*e*).

This peak reservoir discharge of 12 cfs is considerably less than the 65-cfs peak flow of drainage Area I, and satisfactorily meets the overall design conditions.

Time, 36 hours. The reservoir has emptied.

Conclusions

Admittedly the design and construction of a ponding area for the purpose here outlined is not outstanding as an engineering feat. It is, however, a way in which the relationship between the state and the local community can be made smoother. As the Interstate Highway Program gathers momentum in the years ahead, additional opportunities for cooperation will present themselves to highway design project managers. Local drainage headaches are to be found in parts of all the 48 states. Here is one way to alleviate such situations.

The reassured Berkeley municipal engineer in this case was Eric H. Smith of the Edwin Hancock Engineering Company of Chicago. The sponsoring agency was the Illinois State Toll Highway Commission, with George L. Jackson, M. ASCE, as chief engineer. The overall consultant to the Commission is Joseph K. Knoerle & Associates, Inc., with George F. Noble as chief engineer. For E. Lionel Pavlo, section engineer, the project manager is Lester Balaban, J.M. ASCE, and resident engineer, Frank J. Venezia.

The contractor on the job is Western-Boyle-Ryan-Healy, joint venturers of Idaho and Illinois.

Orthotropic plate design for steel bridges

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Save River Bridge in Belgrade contains

A remarkable development in steel bridge construction has been taking place in Europe, as evidenced by the many lightweight, slender and esthetically appealing girder bridges, with spans up to 856 ft, that have been built there in the past decade.

A new bridge system, combining steel girders and cross-stiffened steel plating in one structural unit, has evolved from the continued efforts to reduce dead weight by eliminating heavy decks and to secure the most efficient utilization of materials.

Weight-saving becomes especially important in long-span girder designs, where, in conventional construction, the dead load may account for up to 80 percent of the total design moment. Replacing the heavy concrete deck by steel plating was proposed in the 1930's in a type of construction known as the "battledeck floor." However, the system was not successful since it failed to utilize steel in the most effective manner, especially in the longer spans.

A step forward in design was made with the transition from the simple concept of individual bridge elements (slabs, stringers, floor beams, main girders) designed independently for maximum loads, to a system in which all the elements are integrated into one space grid. The high degree of statical indeterminacy of such systems results in a good load-distributing capacity and a much higher factor of safety for the structure. The now common "composite construction," with the concrete deck fully participating in the main girder stresses, may be treated as such a space structure.

Practical application of the grid system with a steel-plate deck was made possible by the development of welding, and several such bridges were erected in Germany in the 1930's. In the course of further development the rib spacing was decreased in order to utilize the plating more effectively and to improve its stiffness, but the computation of such a closely spaced grid became increasingly complicated.

A radical solution to this problem was to disregard the finite structure of the grid entirely and to treat the system as a *plate*, with elastic properties distributed continuously. Since the stiffness of such an idealized plate in the longitudinal direction of the bridge is different from that in the transverse direction, the plate is designated as "orthogonal-anisotropic" or, using the now common abbreviation, as an "orthotropic plate."

The principal advantage of such an approach is a complete utilization of the deck plate, which, in addition to its action as an independent carrying element between ribs, also acts as the upper flange of the longitudinal ribs, floor beams and main girders, and contributes to the utilization of the torsional rigidity of the ribs, which is disregarded in the conventional grid design. Furthermore, the design of the plating is made independent of the number or spacing of ribs, and the designer is free to arrange them as closely as necessary, without fear that computation difficulties will result (Fig. 1). From a theoretical point of view, the closer the mesh the better the agreement between assumption and reality, and a dense cellular structure may be regarded as a desirable approximation to nature's own way of building.

Actually, the minimum rib spacing is governed by practical construction considerations, and therefore local effects of discontinuity must be considered in the design.

When the first bridges with orthotropic steel-plate decks proved to be a complete success (1947-1951), many more such structures, both plate-girder and suspension bridges, were built in Germany, and a few in other European countries. In Germany the new structural system is already well established. While composite construction prevails for spans of intermediate length, the lightweight orthotropic-plate construction is now considered a standard solution for long-span girder bridges in steel.

The orthotropic-plate problem was first theoretically solved by Huber (1923), who gave the general differential equation for such a plate in the form:

$$K_x \frac{\delta^4 w}{\delta x^4} + 2H \frac{\delta^4 w}{\delta x^2 \delta y^2} + K_y \frac{\delta^4 w}{\delta y^4} = p$$

where x and y are the horizontal coordinates of the plate; w the vertical deflection; p the loading per unit area; and K_x and K_y the plate stiffness values in the x and y directions. The term H

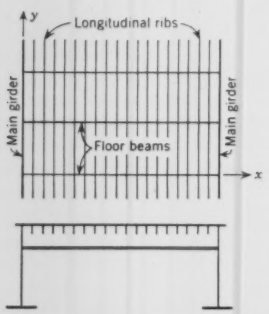


FIG. 1. Scheme of a bridge with orthotropic-plate deck.

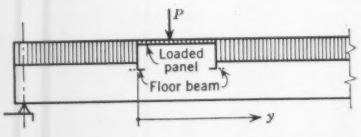


FIG. 2. For the design of longitudinal ribs under local loads as studied by Cornelius and Mader, the elastic properties of the orthotropic plate were assumed to be continuously distributed only in areas outside the loaded panel.

the world's longest plate-girder span, 856 ft. Photo by MAN.

is a function of the torsional stiffness of the orthotropic plate.

This equation was first applied to cross-stiffened steel plating by Cornelius, who gave solutions and computed constants for the basic cases (1947-1952). The expressions for moments, shears, and other values needed for design of the orthotropic plate are obtained in the usual way from the general solutions for each case of loading, which has to be represented by a Fourier series. The plate is usually treated as an infinitely long plate strip simply supported along the main girders, which are regarded as rigid.

While the solution for the idealized plate with assumed continuous properties describes adequately the elastic behavior of the steel deck as a whole, it still disregards the practically important local deformations and stresses, which occur, as a result of the actual discontinuity, under a wheel load placed between the panel points of the stiffened plate.

To evaluate such local conditions, a refinement of the original approach was proposed by Cornelius and Mader. The elastic properties of the orthotropic plate were assumed to be continuously distributed only in areas outside of the loaded panel. See Fig. 2. However the discontinuous properties of the panel directly under load were recognized.

This approach, requiring considerable mathematical skill and a great amount of numerical work, was used in the design of the Save River Bridge (Fig. 3) and other structures.

With the increasing number of applications of the orthotropic plate system, the question arose as to whether the numerical results needed for dimensioning could be obtained in a simpler and more direct way. Such a method, well suited to practical design purposes, has been developed by Pelikan and Esslinger (1958).

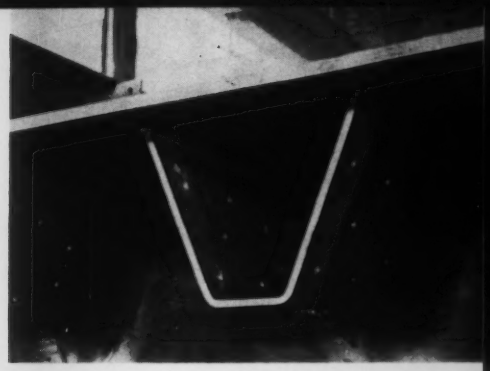
In this two-step method the transverse floor beams are first regarded as rigid and the deck plating with the longitudinal ribs is treated as a continuous orthotropic plate on unyielding supports. A correction due to the actual elastic flexibility of the floor beams is computed in the second step and superimposed on the results of the first computation. Numerical results obtained from this design procedure, distinguished by its relative simplicity, are very close to those obtained by the much more involved earlier methods. It should be noted that all the design methods discussed above are based on the theory of first order, with no allowance for the effect of deformations on the forces acting in the system.

To obtain the total maximum stresses in the plating, the stresses in the deck acting as an orthotropic plate must be superimposed on the stresses in the deck acting as the top flange of the girders. With a span length more than three times the girder spacing, the whole width of the deck can be considered effective as the top flange. This has been confirmed by stress measurements on existing structures.

Local stresses in the flat plate, acting between the ribs, are not included in the above considerations and must be treated separately.

The plate-like behavior of the orthotropic steel-plate deck has been confirmed by many deflection and stress measurements made on test plates as well as on existing structures. A concentrated load placed on the plate is distributed over a wide area to several adjoining floor beams, while the directly loaded longitudinal ribs behave as beams on elastic supports.

The agreement of the computed and measured values is good for the loads in the usual working range. However, the theoretical computations of critical

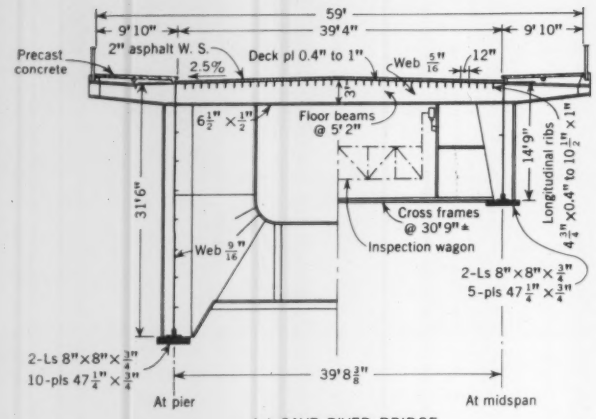


Trapezoidal box-shaped ribs are considered the best type for a torsionally stiff system. Photo by DEMAG.

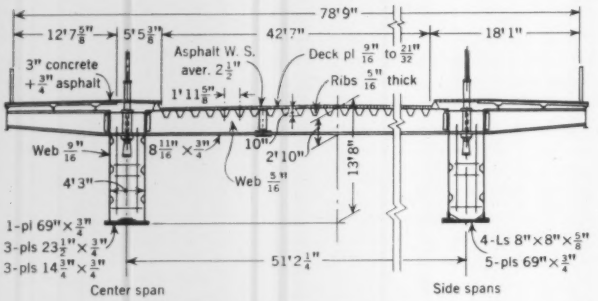
Box-shaped ribs were field spliced with high-strength bolts on Duisburg-Homberg Bridge over the Rhine. Photo by DEMAG.

In prefabrication of units, shop welding of ribs is done in trough position on tilt tables. Photo by MAN.

A panel of steel deck plating of the Rhine bridge Manheim-Ludwigshafen being lifted. Photo by DEMAG.



(a) SAVE RIVER BRIDGE



(b) DUISBURG-HOMBERG BRIDGE

FIG. 3. On continuous - girder Save River Bridge (a) in Belgrade, completed in 1956, with spans of 246, 856, and 246 ft, the orthotropic plate with flat-bar ribs is supported on two girders 39.7 ft apart. Design and fabrication by MAN (Maschinenfabrik Augsburg-Nuernberg). Duisburg-Homberg Bridge (b) over Rhine, opened in 1954, is bridle-chord suspension bridge with spans of 421, 936, and 421 ft. Here orthotropic - deck plate has torsionally stiff trapezoidal ribs. Design and fabrication by DEMAG, Duisburg.

loads consistently yield results many times lower than the loads actually observed at failure.

Extensive tests of elastic behavior and ultimate strength were made by Prof. Kloeppel in connection with the design of the Save River Bridge in Belgrade. In one of the tests a simulated wheel load was placed over a longitudinal rib of a half-scale model of plating and the load-deflection curves were obtained as shown in Fig. 4. The load corresponding to the maximum allowable design stress in the rib was 2.06 tons; the computed ultimate load was 5.4 tons. However, measurements indicated perfect elastic behavior of the system up to a load of 4.1 tons; the first crack in the rib occurred at a load of 48 tons and spread over the entire depth of the rib at 56 tons.

After the load exceeded the purely elastic limit, there was no rapid and unrestrained increase of deflections as usually observed in flexural tests on simple beams. Instead, the deflections increased only a little faster, but still linearly, and consisted of an elastic and an inelastic part. At a load of 6.5 tons, or 3.15 times the theoretical design load, the permanent deflection was 0.75 mm or, with the floor beam spacing of a model of 750 mm, only 1/1,000 of the rib span. Since permanent deformations of such small order are entirely harmless, a design load in excess of the theoretical value based on "allowable stress" was used. (All tons are metric.)

With the observed ultimate load of 56 tons, the actual factor of safety, using the theoretical design load value, was $56/2.06 = 27.1$.

Similar behavior was observed in full-scale tests on 10-mm deck plates of structural-grade steel rigidly supported by ribs spaced 300 mm on centers. Under a double wheel load, fully elastic behavior was observed up to 32.5 tons, and the plate broke under a load of 276 tons. Thus, with the design wheel load of 10 tons, the factor of safety against inelastic behavior was 3.25 and the safety factor against breaking was 27.6. It should be noted that the carrying capacity of an actual bridge plate is still higher because of the elastic flexibility of the supporting ribs and the load distributing action of the asphalt wearing surface.

Similar observations of elastic behavior and high strength of plating were made in the earlier American tests on battle-deck floors.

It is seen that the orthotropic-steel-plate system possesses reserves of carrying capacity much in exces of the usual requirements for members in tension or bending. While the actual safety factors for steel members designed for the currently prescribed "allowable stresses" are approximately 2 for tensile bars and 3 for rectangular bars in flexure, the factor of safety for orthotropic plating under a wheel load ranges from 20 to 30, or 10 times as much!

This high load-carrying capacity of an orthotropic-plate deck is explained by a favorable combination of the effects of the plasticity of steel and membrane action, which is of increasing importance as the deflections in the system increase. It is very important to note that in such systems the applied loads are not proportional to the stresses they produce; the loads grow faster than the stresses. An adequate theoretical interpretation of these phenomena could only be given by a second-order plate theory in the plastic range, which also might give approximate practical formulas for ultimate loads. However, the design is not yet sufficiently developed to make such a theory possible. Thus at present the necessary data on the ultimate behavior of orthotropic plating can only be obtained in an empirical way.

In any system where the increasing loads are no longer proportional to the maximum stresses in the structure, its actual safety can only be expressed as a ratio of the critical load to the working load, which is quite different from the ratio of the strength or plastic limit of the material to the stress under the design load. Thus the "allowable-stress" approach can be grossly misleading if applied to orthotropic steel plating, characterized by the peculiar load-stress relationships and the safety reserves discussed above. Obviously, the same value of "allowable stress" would have an entirely different meaning for the various parts of the structure, making the factors of safety for the orthotropic plating unreasonably high as compared with the other structural members of the bridge.

A rational design procedure could be based on theoretical or experimental determination of the loads considered critical with respect to strength or deformation of the system, and then establishing working loads with a desired factor of safety. This approach was actually used to adjust the theoretically computed values in the design of the Save River Bridge and resulted in considerable economies of structural steel. Such a procedure, however desirable, must still be regarded as impractical for general use, since the costly and time consuming tests are feasible only for structures of major importance. However, with further theoretical development and the accumulation of more empirical data regarding the behavior of orthotropic plates, a gradual transi-

tion to the principles of "ultimate design" may become possible.

The present compromise solution is to use design methods based on the first-order theory, with higher "allowable stresses" applied, to account, at least partially, for the large carrying-capacity reserves of the system. In this connection, the high stresses, even up to the plastic limit of the material, variously proposed and used in design, should not be interpreted in the usual sense and regarded as perilous, since these values are only indirect expressions of the "ultimate design" principles involved. The experimentally established elastic behavior of the orthotropic plating beyond the limits predicted by the first-order theory should also be kept in mind when "allowable stresses" for the design are discussed.

The upper limits of allowable stresses for the orthotropic plating are often governed by maximum deflections rather than strength considerations. It is considered desirable to keep the deflections small in order to prevent cracks in the asphalt wearing surface. For this reason the minimum thickness of plating is now limited by current German bridge specifications to 15/32 in., with a rib spacing of 12 in. However, the necessity for such a limitation is debated.

For the design of flat plating acting between ribs, stresses of 27.2 kips per sq in. (ksi) for St 37 steel and 38 ksi for St 52 steel, corresponding respectively to the American structural grade and low-alloy steels, are currently allowed by the German bridge authorities, the value of 0.9 times the plastic limit being allowed for the "comparative stress" under a biaxial stress condition in the plate.

It should be noted that a similar working stress of 28 ksi was recommended by the American Institute of Steel Construction for the structural-grade steel plating in the battle-deck floor system.

In many current designs for orthotropic plate decks using the prescribed

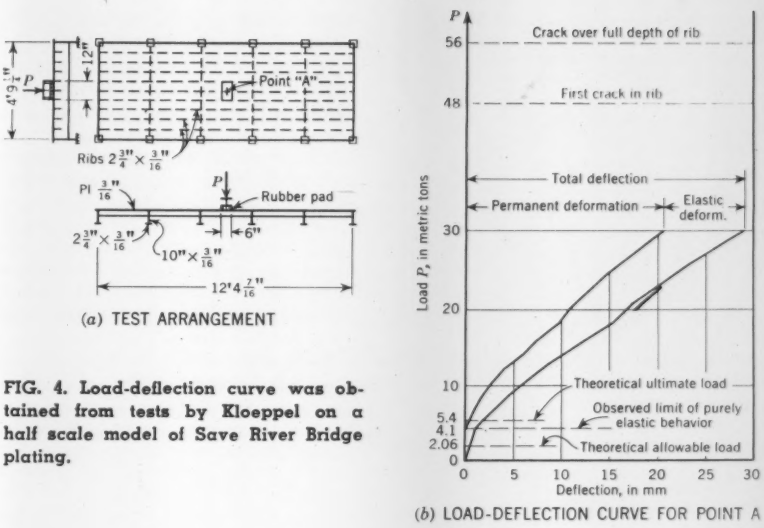
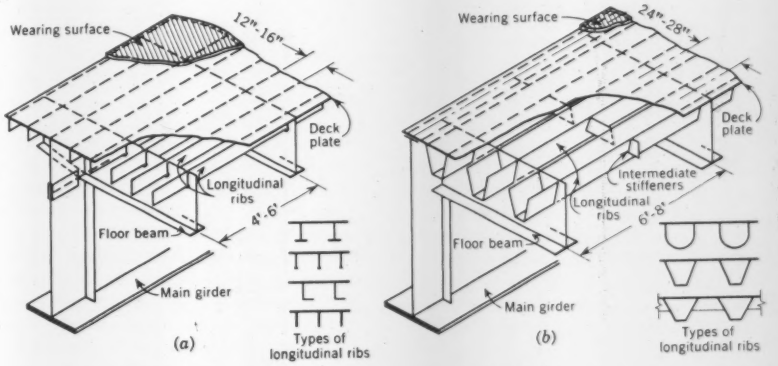
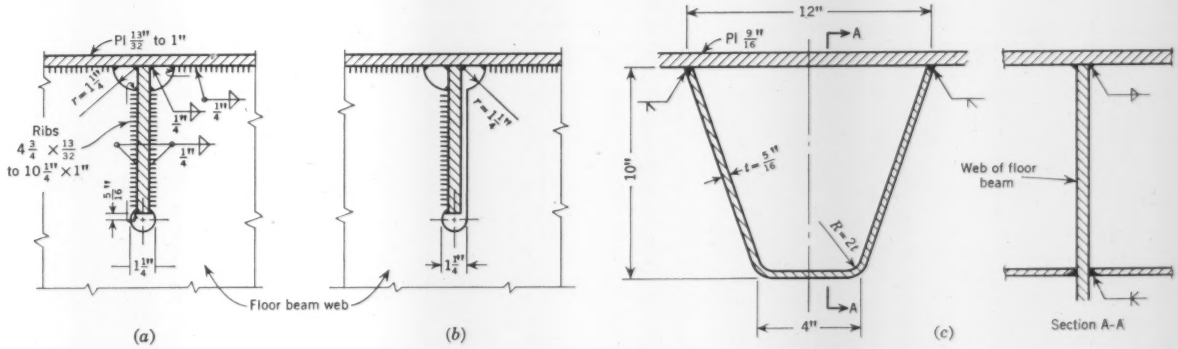


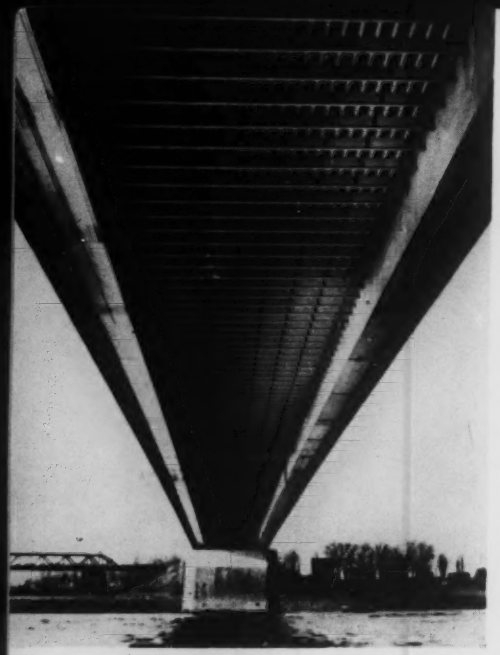
FIG. 4. Load-deflection curve was obtained from tests by Kloeppel on a half scale model of Save River Bridge plating.



↑ **FIG. 5. Two basic types of orthotropic steel-plate decks are used: (a) with torsionally soft ribs, and (b) with torsionally stiff ribs.**

Fig. 6. Continuous fillet welds are used to weld ribs to under side of plating. In (a) details of a welded rib of the Save River Bridge are shown, in (b) an alternative arrangement, and in (c) details of welded ribs for the Duisburg-Homberg Bridge. ↓





Under-side view of the Rhine bridge, Duisburg-Homberg. Photo by DEMAG.

minimum sizes, computation of local stresses in the flat plate is omitted entirely.

In the design of longitudinal ribs for wheel loads and superimposed stresses from the main girder action, stress peaks close to the plastic limit have been allowed in some designs. Aside from safety considerations with regard to the rib as part of the orthotropic plate, discussed above, such stress peaks are quite in order also in the main girder system because of their strictly local character. If, in an extreme case, a stress up to the yield point should be reached at one point in a rib, surrounded by material subjected to a considerably lower stress intensity, no plastic deformation can develop, and therefore such a condition should not be considered dangerous. Similar local stress concentrations are found in any conventional structure around rivet holes or at changes in cross section but it is common practice to disregard them.

According to current German bridge specifications, the longitudinal ribs of orthotropic plating under the combined effects of local loads and main girder action should be designed with the same stresses as those allowed for simple members. However, for future specifications, higher allowable tensile stresses for such superpositions are planned (25.5 ksi for St 37 steel and 38.4 ksi for St 52 steel). Reduction coefficients for stresses in the ribs due to local conditions, to be superimposed on the main girder stresses, have also been suggested.

Development is still in progress and there is as yet no general agreement on some design problems. However, the various current tentative specifications and design methods based on the first-order theory provide workable procedures that are comfortably on the safe side, and can be used with confidence in view of the large and still untapped safety reserves of the orthotropic plating.

The two basic systems of orthotropic steel-plate decks used at present—characterized by torsionally soft and torsionally stiff ribs—are shown in Fig. 5.

In the torsionally soft system, flat bars, bulb shapes, angles and inverted T-sections have been used as longitudinal ribs, running continuously through slots in the webs of the floor beams. Now preference is given to flat bars, spaced approximately 12 in. on centers, since they can be used in any required size, and are the easiest to splice and to thread through the floor beams. Rib sizes vary from 5 in. x 7/16 in. to 10 in. x 1 in.; the deck-plate thickness may vary from 7/16 in. to 1 in. Both structural-grade steel and weldable high-strength steels are used, as required.

Ribs are welded to the under side of the plating by continuous fillet welds. To avoid excessive warpage and residual welding stresses in the deck plate, it is important to keep the weld sizes to a minimum. It is also desirable to avoid end craters and intersections of fillet welds. A solution to these problems is shown in Fig. 6 (*a*). The circular cutouts in the webs of the floor beams serve two purposes: (1) the longitudinal rib welds can be run continuously through intersections, while the vertical and transverse welds can form closed loops, as indicated by the arrows; (2) stress concentrations at cutouts are minimized.

Large shrinkage stresses may occur in parts of the floor-beam webs between the closely spaced longitudinal ribs. This can be avoided by the arrangement shown in Fig. 6 (*b*).

Out of the many types tried in the torsionally stiff system, the trapezoidal box-shaped ribs shown in Fig. 6 (*c*) are now considered best. The rib thickness seldom exceeds 5/16 in. and even a rib thickness of 3/16 in. has occasionally been used. In spite of the thinness of the material, the box ribs are considered corrosion proof, since no corrosion can take place in the airtight interior, and the smooth outside surface can be easily maintained. Unlike the torsionally soft ribs, the box-shaped ribs are usually butt welded to the webs of the floor beams at each intersection by means of bevel groove welds. These welds must develop the full tensile value of the rib and must be made with particular care. To give the system more torsional rigidity, additional stiffening plates between the box ribs have recently been introduced. See Fig. 5 (*b*).

Field splicing of box-shaped ribs is done by means of high-strength bolts handled through a hand hole provided in the bottom of the rib at the location of the splice. The system with torsionally stiff ribs has the advantage of a better load distributing capacity, resulting in savings of material. On the other hand, the box-shaped ribs involve more labor for fabrication than the simple ribs of the torsionally soft system.

Units of orthotropic plating are shop-fabricated in sizes governed by transportation possibilities. Panels up to 58 ft x 18 ft have been fabricated as one weldment for transportation by barges. For the welding of flat ribs, a method known as Elin-Hafergut welding has been successfully applied. In this method, coated electrodes approximately 5 ft long are laid flat end to end along the joint to be welded and then covered by a hollowed copper bar 2 in. x 2 in. as shown in Fig. 7. After the welding circuit is closed, welding proceeds automatically through melting of the electrode. Welds of uniform quality up to 20 ft in total length can be obtained by this method with a speed of approximately 8 in. per min. Welding of several ribs can proceed simultaneously. The simple operations of this method do not necessarily require qualified welders. Warpage and residual welding stresses are reduced since the copper bar absorbs heat to a considerable extent.

Main girders used in conjunction with orthotropic-plate decks are of conventional type, except for the omission of the upper flanges. They can be welded or riveted if larger lower-flange areas are required.

For erection, the cantilever method is generally used. The light, flangeless sections of the girders are cantilevered first, then the preassembled panels of the orthotropic plating are placed on them. The longitudinal field splices between the plating and the girder webs are usually riveted. Welding, riveting, bolting or combinations of these methods are used for the field splices of the deck plating.

For the wearing surface, asphalt is most often used. The total thickness ranges from 1¾ in. to 2½ in. and consists of a coat of bituminous paint, a thin layer of mastic or corrugated aluminum foil, and two layers of asphalt, each ¾ in. to 1 in. thick. Considerable experience with asphalt wearing surfaces has shown that their performance depends on careful design of mixes, good workmanship, and sufficient stiffness of the steel deck. Mechanical means for improving the bond of the asphalt to the deck, such as welded flat bars or wire mesh, are now considered superfluous and should not be used since the additional welding that would be

involved might weaken the steel deck.

Non-asphaltic wearing surfaces, such as latex compounds or epoxy resins, applied in thicknesses of ⅜ in. to ½ in., are more expensive but have the advantage of lighter weight.

The cost of the wearing surface is only a small fraction of the total cost of the bridge and in case of any damage, the wearing surface can be easily and cheaply repaired or replaced. In cases where cracks have appeared in the wearing surface, no corrosive damage to the steel deck has been found. For such reasons most bridge designers are now of the opinion that the importance of wearing-surface problems should not be exaggerated, and that the steel construction should not be unduly penalized by too rigorous stiffness requirements.

Weight savings resulting from the elimination of concrete decks and from a better utilization of structural steel in the orthotropic-plate system are shown by a comparison with typical bridges of conventional design in Table I. It should be noted that the first four structures listed—those with orthotropic-plate decks—were designed for traffic loads substantially heavier than those in the current AASHO specifications. Similar dead-weight savings are obtained for suspension bridges, none of which are in the table.

In the longer span range, steel savings are even more remarkable. The new Cologne-Muelheim suspension bridge required a total of only 5,810 tons of steel, although it replaced a structure containing 12,890 tons of steel. The steel weight of the new Save Bridge in Belgrade is 3,800 tons, replacing a destroyed suspension bridge of 6,800 tons.

Substantial savings due to lightweight construction can be obtained in the substructures of bridges, especially where foundation conditions are difficult. Since longer spans are economically feasible, the number of piers can be reduced.

The saving in weight of steel is partially offset by the increased cost of fabricating the orthotropic steel plate. According to German fabricators with experience in this type of construction, with whom the writer has had an opportunity to discuss fabrication problems, approximately 20 percent more man-hours per ton of steel are needed for an orthotropic-plate bridge than for a long-span plate-girder bridge of conventional type.

In the United States a 20-percent increase in labor ought to increase the unit price of fabricated steel by not more than 10 percent, or a 10-percent saving in steel weight should make the total steel cost of a conventional and an orthotropic-plate structure equal. In such a case the price differential between a reinforced concrete deck and an asphalt wearing surface would still result in a net saving, in addition to savings in the substructure and the better load-carrying capacity of the bridge.

Based on the above considerations, a superstructure cost saving of approximately 15 percent is obtained for a continuous bridge of orthotropic-plate design in the 375 to 400-ft span range with a steel weight of 75 psf, as compared with a typical conventional structure in the same span range. Savings would be larger as the spans increase in length. For the longer spans the weldable steels of T-1 type may offer interesting possibilities.

To obtain opinions and comments from fabricators of structural steel in the United States, preliminary designs were submitted to a number of firms. While some were skeptical about the economy of the system, several indicated their interest and readiness to bid on this type of construction and quoted unit prices within the predicted range.

Now that significant progress has been made in other structural fields such as those of reinforced concrete and aluminum, steel construction cannot remain at a standstill and retain its competitive position. The orthotropic-plate system, which represents unquestionable progress in bridge building, points the way to new and more efficient methods of utilizing structural steel by developing the still unexhausted potentialities of the material.

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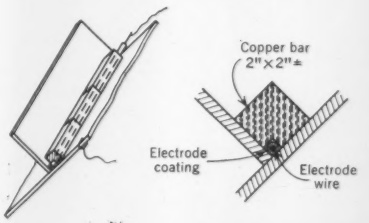

FIG. 7. The Elin-Hafergut method of making fillet welds in trough position does not necessarily require qualified welders. Warping and residual welding stresses are reduced since copper bar absorbs much of the heat. Photo by MAN.

TABLE I. Unit weights and steel quantities for some existing bridges

	Year	Spans, ft.	Steel Weight, psf of bridge	Total Dead Weight, psf
Bridges with orthotropic plate decks:				
Mannheim-Ludwigshafen, Germany	Under constr.	300-300-300	60	82
Weser Bridge Porta, Germany	1954	209-256-348	55	100
St. Alban Bridge, Basel, Switzerland	1954	189-443-189	73	100
Save Bridge, Belgrade, Yugoslavia	1956	246-856-246	105	138
Bridges with concrete decks:				
Passaic River Bridge, New Jersey	1951	220-275-375-275-220	90	170
Quinnipiac River Bridge, Connecticut	1957	258-387-258	88	210

Girder and slab construction for Dougherty Hall at Villanova University. Note column forms made of four pieces of stock lumber of same width as girders carried. Girder forms are made of three pieces of 2 x 12-in. lumber. Joists of 2 x 12's carry plywood deck. Spacing between girders is 12 ft to match three pieces of plywood. Henry D. Dagit & Sons, architect; McCormic-Taylor Associates, engineers; Joseph R. Farrell, Inc., builder.

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ECONOMY IN CONCRETE BUILDINGS

Large construction savings through small design changes

Major economies in concrete buildings can be achieved by giving consideration in the design stage to such features as the methods of forming used by constructors and the commercial sizes of lumber. It is essential first to recognize that neither the cost nor the weight of a small amount of "extra" concrete in beams is of top importance. Perhaps 10 cu yd of concrete costing $25 per cu yd for purchase and placing (as added concrete only) will simplify forming out of all proportion to its $250 of added cost for a 100 x 200-ft building of three or four stories. And the 25 tons of extra weight, spread over some 25 footings, is negligible in almost all cases. Minor changes in design can achieve large savings.

It was natural for the engineers who designed the first concrete buildings to follow the pattern of the beam-and-girder, timber-and-steel structures of the day. A typical design would have columns spaced about 20 ft on centers both ways with 12 x 20-in. girders running in one direction and 8 x 16-in. beams at the third points, spaced therefore about 6 ft 8 in. on centers. The columns supporting the roof might be 14 in. square, those supporting the floor below the roof 16 in. square, those supporting the next lower floor 18 in. square, and so on.

The forms were all made of dimensioned lumber sawed on the job to the proper size and spliced together with battens. A ledger board was nailed to the battens of the beam sides at the proper distance below the under side of the slab form to support 2 x 4's or 2 x 6's to act as joists to carry the slab forms. A kicker was nailed to the shore head on each side of the beam and girder forms to prevent them from spreading as a result of concrete pressure.

The girder forms had to be cut at each beam and the column forms had to be cut out on four sides to receive the beams and girders. In addition, the slab forms had to be cut out at the four corners of each column because the column was wider than the beams and girders it supported. The practice of reducing the size of the columns on each succeeding floor as the building rose in height made it necessary not only to remake the column forms for each floor, but also to lengthen the beam and girder forms which were supported by the columns. The boards in the slab forms which had been cut out for the corners of the large columns at the first supported floor would not fit the reduced columns of the second supported floor. This system was very wasteful of lumber and labor.

Numerous systems of concrete design have been developed over the years in an effort to reduce the cost of concrete structures. Real progress has been made. The flat slab has been developed in many forms by engineers, each with a good idea. In the American way, when one man conceives a good plan, each man who uses it tries to improve on it.

The beam-and-girder design has been modified by the use of concrete joists formed by metal pans of various kinds, which have effected savings in lumber and labor. Use of plywood for concrete forms not only has resulted in great savings in formwork but has improved the appearance of the concrete so that it is acceptable as a finished material in many fine buildings.

The concrete designer has several systems from which to chose: normal flat slab with capitals and drop heads; flat slab without capitals and drop heads; plate slabs; girder and slab; four-way slab supported on beams running from column to column; joist and slab formed by pans; joist and slab formed by wooden joist forms, set 4 ft apart, the width of a sheet of plywood; either flat-slab or joist-and-slab construction supported on rigid frames for long spans; and the various types of thin-shell roofs, to name a few.

The following suggestions can yield economies in construction with any of the various framing systems:

Parking structure at Upper Darby, Pa., of rigid-frame and joist-and-slab construction. Note that the rigid-frame forms are prefabricated, ready to set. The joist forms are made of three pieces of stock lumber and set 4 ft plus apart to fit the plywood. Metal-pan and flat-slab construction is used in odd-shaped bays.

Structure nearing completion is seen at right. Some reshoring of lower floors has been done to permit early release of forms for the next lift. Note portable tower hoist for placing concrete where needed. John B. McClatchy is owner of the structure, Earl P. Allabach, engineer, and Joseph R. Farrell, Inc., builder.

1. Columns should be the same size from foundation to roof. Then beam forms as well as column forms can be reused from floor to floor without alteration.

2. Spacing of columns from center to center should be uniform throughout the building as far as possible. This makes for simplicity and allows mass production of formwork.

3. Column centers should be set so that the distance *between faces of beams* will be multiples of 4 ft plus one inch, permitting whole sheets of plywood to be used without cutting for slab forms. For instance if the width of the beam or girder supporting the slab is 14 in., the column centers should be 21 ft 3 in. apart, not 20 ft. In flat-slab construction, the drop heads should be 8 ft, 10 ft, or 12 ft square, and the distance between drop heads should be a multiple of 4 ft plus one inch. The extra inch facilitates stripping of the forms.

4. Columns should be no wider than the girder they support. Then the column form becomes a simple rectangular box without cutouts, and the slab form does not have to be cut out at each corner of the column.

5. Beams should all be of one depth on each floor and of a depth permitting the use of stock lumber. This depth can be established by adding an even number of inches plus $\frac{5}{8}$ in. (the thickness of plywood) to the depth of the concrete slab to establish the total depth of the beam. Stock 2-in. lumber is about $\frac{3}{8}$ in. or $\frac{1}{2}$ in. scant of the nominal size in both directions, thus a 2 × 12 is actually $1\frac{5}{8} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$ in. The $1\frac{5}{8}$-in. beam bottom is placed between the side forms. Thus the depth of the concrete beam below the $\frac{5}{8}$-in. plywood, using 2 × 12's, as the beam sides, is $11\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{5}{8} = 9\frac{7}{8}$ in. If the slab is 5 in. thick, the total depth of the beam is $9\frac{7}{8}$ in. + $\frac{5}{8}$ in. + 5 in. = $15\frac{1}{2}$ in. If calculations show that the economical beam depth for a given span is 14 or 15 in., make the beam $15\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Stock lumber can be purchased in nominal sizes of 2 × 2, 2 × 3, 2 × 4, 2 × 6, 2 × 8, 2 × 10, 2 × 12, and 2 × 14, so there is a wide range for selection. If the beam depth is too great to use a 2 × 14, two pieces of lumber can be used together to make the beam sides; each will be about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. scant for a total of 1 in. If a 2 × 10 and a 2 × 12 are used, the total depth will be $9\frac{1}{2} + 11\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{5}{8}$ or $19\frac{3}{8}$ in. plus the $\frac{5}{8}$-in. plywood and slab thickness. The joint between the 2 × 10 and the 2 × 12 can be covered by a chamfer strip to add architectural interest; or the sides of deep beams can be made of plywood.

The size of lumber used in the beam sides establishes the depth of the joists supporting the slab forms. The whole wooden structure of the forms can thus be carried on a level table of 4 × 6's supported on shores. This saves untold dollars in cutting, measuring and leveling the work in place.

6. The structural design should be prepared simultaneously with the architectural design so that these items can be accomplished. Room sizes can usually be varied a few inches to accommodate the structural design.

In a school constructed by our firm the architect asked my cooperation to keep the cost down. After studying the preliminary sketches I suggested changing the classroom and corridor dimensions a few inches in length and breadth. He accepted the suggestions. The result was that the cost per square foot of the concrete structure was 25 percent less in 1956 than that of a similar school built ten years earlier in spite of a 40 percent increase in the construction cost index—a net saving of 46 percent.

The procedure outlined can provide fireproof concrete construction at no greater cost than that of less desirable materials. A little tolerance is needed and a willingness to study the problems of others. This, with a lot of cooperation, can save money for the owner. The resulting structure will enhance the reputation of the consulting engineer as an economical designer. And the simplified forming will avoid a lot of headaches for the builder.

Water resources

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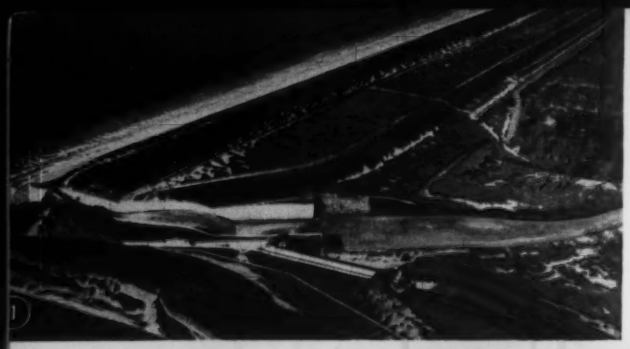

(1) Lovewell Dam

(2) Webster Dam
(3) Kirwin Dam

(4) Trenton Dam
(5) Cedar Bluff Dam
(6) Bonny Dam

(7) Enders Dam
(8) Medicine Creek Dam

(9) Typical Canal and irrigated area

Steady progress is being made in developing the Kansas River drainage area of the Missouri River Basin Project, authorized for construction by the Flood Control Acts of 1944 and 1946. Today, of the eleven dams authorized for construction by the Bureau of Reclamation, eight are complete: Medicine Creek, December 1949; Enders, January 1951; Bonny, May 1951; Cedar Bluff, October 1951; Trenton, November 1953; Kirwin, August 1955; Webster, June 1956; and Lovewell, September 1957. Irrigation water was delivered to the first lands on the Cambridge Unit in 1951. For the irrigation season of 1958, water was available for about 93,000 acres of land out of a water supply potential of 356,000 acres. Units essentially completed are: Cambridge, 15,600 acres; Franklin, 15,270 acres; Superior-Courtland, 8,970 acres; and Kirwin, 11,500 acres. Units partially completed are: Red Willow, 7,000 of 11,150 acres; Meeker-Driftwood, 8,600 of 16,440 acres; Frenchman, 9,600 of 21,090 acres; and Courtland, 16,400 of 49,000, Construction is just starting on the Webster, 8,500 acres. For the general location of dams and irrigation units see Fig. 1.

Development of water resources in the Kansas River drainage basin is part of the overall plan of development for the Missouri River Basin Project. This project envisions the conservation, control, and use of the basin's water resources through the cooperative efforts of federal, state and local governments. Its objective is to stabilize and increase agricultural and industrial productivity and to establish new economic opportunities. Major benefits from the project are irrigation, production of hydroelectric power, flood control, and navigation. Other benefits are municipal and industrial water supplies, new recreation facilities, fish and wildlife conservation, pollution abatement, and silt detention.

The Kansas River drainage basin is about 480 miles long, about 140 miles wide, and covers an area of 60,000 sq miles. The two main subbasins where principal Bureau construction has taken place are the Republican River, with a drainage area of 25,270 sq miles, and the

developed in Kansas River basin

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Smoky Hill River, with a drainage area of 19,970 sq miles.

The basin as a whole constitutes about one-tenth of the drainage area of the Missouri River. The land rises from an elevation of 750 ft to about 5,500 ft at the western end of the basin. A noticeable break in the general slope occurs in the vicinity of Concordia, Kans., the slope west of that point being about 12 ft per mile, while that to the east is only about 5 ft per mile to the mouth. The climate varies from moderately humid, with an average rainfall of about 37 in., to semiarid in the western part, with an average rainfall of about 17 in.

The entire basin is subject to high winds, intense rainstorms and wide variations in temperature, extreme temperatures being 120 deg F at Alton, Kans., and — 43 deg F at Holdrege, Nebr. The frost-free season ranges from approximately 150 days in the western part to 200 days in the eastern part. Agriculture and the processing of agricultural products constitute the principal industries in the basin. The uncertainty of adequate and timely precipitation greatly limits crop diversification in the western section of the basin. This coupled with long records of floods ranging from minor to disastrous made a natural combination for water resources development. Irrigation is not a cure-all nor does its practice guarantee bountiful crops; however, it assures consistent crop yields and permits greater diversification, thereby stabilizing the economy.

Dams and reservoirs form the backbone of the plan. Because of site and foundation considerations, all eight dams are of the earthfill type. Power development has not been found feasible for the dams constructed to date.

Range in size of the dams has not been great, the height above streambed varying from 91 to 134 ft, and that above foundation, from 93 to 202 ft. As may be expected, spillway discharges have varied considerably, from 35,000 cfs to 200,000 cfs, depending on the economics of spillway costs. This economic balance has been carefully analyzed to achieve the least expensive structure with all factors, such as relocations, inundation area, and evaporation, receiving consideration. A sedimentation pool for an accumulation of 100 years has been provided at each dam before encroachment on the conservation pool. Outlet capacities vary in accordance with stream demands and range from 150 to 4,100 cfs. Physical data on the dams and reservoirs are given in Table I.

In the formulation of the plans, reservoir hydrology furnishes the basic criteria for determining the size of dams. In reviewing this data one fact stands out—the extremely large variations in flow of individual streams in the basins. Flooding is frequent, and most streams show a number of floods for the periods of record. Many discharges vary from nothing to a maximum of 200,000 cfs. This fact is one of the very basic reasons for conserving and utilizing these waters and for decreasing the damage inherent in these floods. Inflow design floods were all based on actual storms transposed to the various drainage areas. For comparisons of the reservoir hydrology see Table II.

Any construction program of the magnitude of this one naturally invites attention to the costs involved. Certain relationships exist which are not only interesting but also may be of value in planning similar works in other areas. While not always consistent, the costs to conserve and control drainage areas show a pattern of $3,000 to $4,000 per sq mile for those in the 4,000-sq mile range up to about $8,000 per sq mile in the 1,000-sq mile range. As may be expected, relocation costs vary widely, ranging from less than one percent to 38 percent of the total costs. Dam embank-

Fig. 1. Authorized projects of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Kansas River basin, here shown, are part of the overall plan for development of the Missouri River Basin Project.

ment costs per cubic yard show a consistent pattern downward, the first dam built being $1.03 per cu yd and the last $0.34 per cy yd, even though its volume was considerably less. Spillway costs per cubic foot per second of discharge vary from $15 to $31 per cfs. Relating all spillway costs to the cost of concrete shows a pattern that is fairly consistent, costs ranging from $62 to $100 per cu yd. Field costs and relationships are shown in Table III.

One of the problems connected with concrete construction in the Kansas-Nebraska area has been that natural aggregates found in the stream beds are reactive with cement. The reaction produces excessive expansion with resulting cracks and deterioration of the concrete. This expansion has been inhibited most effectively in laboratory tests by using a limestone coarse aggregate with the natural fine aggregates. To date, the only approved sources for concrete aggregate in this area are those located from 25 to 40 miles southeast of Omaha, near Kansas City, 100 miles south of Topeka, Kans., and 140 miles south of Manhattan, Kans. This restriction has increased the cost of the concrete aggregate from $1.00 to $2.00 per ton, but it is believed that the life of the structures is extended by several decades.

Another problem of construction in the area that deserves comment is the prevalence of loess soil and its use as a foundation material. True loess is a loose, wind-deposited soil covering a large part of the area. It is generally composed of uniform silt-sized particles which were loosely deposited and are bonded together with relatively small amounts of clay forming the typical loess "structure." Normally loess has high shearing resistance and will withstand high loadings without great settlement when the natural moisture content is low. However, when wet, the clay band tends to soften and cause collapse of the loess structure, inducing large settlement under low loading and loss of shearing strength. Undisturbed densities of true, wind-deposited loess normally range from about 75 to 85 lb per cu ft. If the material has been wetted and consolidated or has been reworked, the natural density is higher, sometimes as much as 100 lb per cu ft or more. In unusual cases, the wind-deposited material has been found to have a density as low as 65 lb per cu ft.

Studies by the Bureau of Reclamation have shown that the natural density is perhaps the most important index property of loess, in that the ultimate settlement that can be expected and the shearing resistance of the material after wetting are dependent largely on the natural density. The possibility of preconsolidating loess foundations has appealed to many engineers and designers, particularly for hydraulic structures such as dams, and where the materials will eventually become wetted.

In the case of earth dams, which exert a high pressure but are rather flexible, the theory indicated that by pond-

TABLE I. Physical data on dams and reservoirs

Item	Medicine Creek	Enders	Bonny	Cedar Bluff	Trenton	Kirwin	Webster	Lovewell
Dam								
Height above river bed, ft	115	103	128	134	100	117	107	91
Height above foundation, ft	165	134	158	202	144	169	154	93
Volume, cu yd:								
Earth & rockfill without spillway	2,730,000	1,951,000	8,853,000	8,490,000	8,130,000	9,537,000	8,145,000	3,000,000
Concr. in spillway & outlet	29,570	45,622	31,446	33,360	59,792	42,850	43,794	12,896
Crest length, ft	5,665	2,603	9,200	12,560	8,600	12,646	10,720	8,500
Crest width, ft	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Base width, ft	840	670	980	910	800	960	940	680
Crest elevation, M.S.L.	2,415	3,137	3,742	2,198	2,793	1,779	1,944	1,616
Maximum spillway discharge, cfs	97,800	200,000	73,300	84,000	133,000	96,000	138,000	35,000
Outlet capacity, cfs	450	1,300	160	1,015	4,100	900	520	3,200
Freeboard, ft	6	8	6	6	8	6	6	6
Reservoir								
Dead storage, acre-ft	5,400	8,500	1,400	8,300	4,100	6,400	2,200	4,400
Sedimentation (100 yrs), acre-ft	30,000	4,000	16,000	26,000	102,000	18,500	13,000	16,000
Irrigation, acre-ft	33,800	36,000	39,900	176,800	116,100	88,800	64,900	37,300
Flood control, acre-ft	51,700	30,000	128,800	191,900	133,800	219,400	193,600	50,500
Surcharge, acre-ft	106,600	6,200	178,200	353,200	107,700	198,500	140,900	94,100
Area, top conservation pool, acres	1,768	1,707	2,042	6,869	4,970	4,940	3,445	3,001
Area, top max. water surface, acres	6,220	2,557	8,579	16,510	10,040	14,660	11,270	7,635

TABLE II. Hydrologic data on dams and reservoirs

Item	Medicine Creek	Enders	Bonny	Cedar Bluff	Trenton	Kirwin	Webster	Lovewell
Drainage area, sq miles	656	820	1,495	4,980	4,003	1,373	1,125	354
Average annual runoff, acre-ft	56,700	62,300	30,800	62,800	138,900	54,100	51,700	19,000
Period	'29–'56	'29–'56	'29–'55	'19–'56	'29–'56	'29–'56	'20–'55	'29–'49
Annual runoff, max., acre-ft	125,500	73,700	151,600	445,900	542,200	279,100	352,600	138,501
Year	1947	1949	1935	1951	1935	1951	1951	1950
Annual runoff, min., acre-ft	38,700	54,500	12,800	12,400	47,100	8,100	8,400	1,300
Year	1939	1939	1940	1954	1954	1956	1955	1934
Peak discharge, cfs	111,000	2,850	103,000	23,800	200,000	24,000	55,200	23,300
Date, mo. and year	6/1947	6/1940	5/1935	1951	5/1935	9/1919	7/1951	7/1950
Minimum discharge, cfs	6	5	0	0	0	)	0	0
Date, mo and year	1/1938	3/1938	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various
Inflow design flood vol., acre-ft	300,000	300,000	409,000	810,000	396,000	607,000	436,000	254,000
Period, hours	72	84	72	192	72	144	84	336
Peak, cfs	200,000	200,000	245,000	391,000	295,000	260,000	268,900	82,000
Historical floods, years	1935	1935	1935	1938	1903	1919	1903	1941
	1942	1940		1951	1915	1950	1915	1947
	1947	1956			1935	1951	1941	1950
	1948				1936	1957	1948	1951
							1951	
							1957	

ing, settlement could be attained during construction rather than later—after completion and filling of the reservoir. For this reason, for a number of dams in the area, where foundations on loess material were required, the foundations were thoroughly wetted by ponding and sprinkling before fill construction. It is significant to note that settlement measuring points established throughout these ponded areas showed very little settlement from saturation alone except in areas of very low density. An external load, applied by embankment construction or other means while the loess is wet, will cause consolidation.

Irrigation development

Irrigation development has followed a pattern of progress parallel with dam construction. Under Reclamation laws governing water, both rural and urban users are required to pay in accordance with their ability and the extent of their benefits. Revenue from main-stem power plants in the Missouri River basin will repay additional parts of the costs. Flood control and navigation allocations are non-reimbursable. Accordingly, repayment contracts have been signed with eight irrigation districts in this basin. Specific irrigation works for the districts are under way at the present time. Canal and lateral construction has been of conventional earth sections and has included the many varied irrigation structures, such as concrete siphons, wasteways, checks, turnouts, culverts, and bridges. Concrete pipe is used to a maximum, and precasting of the smaller irrigation structures is the dominant construction practice.

While irrigation conveyance and distribution systems do not have the glamour of dam construction, they have presented a real challenge since they must be economically fitted to the terrain and into existing ownership patterns. In this area of intense, intermittent rainfall, cross-drainage has been particularly vexing. A summary of physical data and some cost relationships is given in Table IV.

As funds become available, completion of the authorized dams of Norton, Red Willow, Glen Elder and Wray is contemplated, along with the associated irrigation units of St. Francis, North Republican, Almena, Glen Elder, Cedar Bluff and Kanopolis.

W. A. Dexheimer, M. ASCE, is Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation. Designs and technical supervision of construction are under the direction of Grant Bloodgood, M. ASCE, Assistant Commissioner and Chief Engineer, in Denver, Colo. The Kansas River Project is in the Bureau's Region 7, with R. J. Walter, Jr., Director.

TABLE III. Field costs and relationships for dams and reservoirs

(Includes right-of-way but excludes investigation, engineering and administration)

	Medicine Creek	Enders	Bonny	Cedar Bluff	Trenton	Kirwin	Webster	Lovewell
Years Built	1949	1951	1951	1951	1953	1955	1956	1957
Spillway	$1,947,000	$3,061,000	$2,309,000	$2,300,000	$3,298,000	$2,602,000	$2,451,000	$ 955,000
Outlet works	279,000	873,000	510,000	620,000	400,000	541,000	242,000	335,000
Relocations	209,000	159,000	139,000	105,000	6,887,000	1,352,000	671,000	740,000
Land and rights	431,000	557,000	255,000	685,000	767,000	1,689,000	1,263,000	1,225,000
Dam and dike structure	2,610,000	2,054,000	8,137,000	7,962,000	5,950,000	4,989,000	4,287,000	1,075,000
Clearing	86,000	18,000	20,000	12,000	64,000	39,000	24,000	55,000
Miscellaneous	127,000	89,000	153,000	120,000	743,000	52,000	349,000	123,000
Total	$5,689,000	$6,811,000	$11,523,000	$11,804,000	$18,109,000	$11,264,000	$9,287,000	$4,508,000
Spillway and outlet works, cost per cu yd of concr.	75	86	90	88	62	73	62	100
Spillway, cost per cfs of discharge	20	15	31	27	25	27	18	27
Outlet works, cost per cfs of discharge	620	670	3,190	610	100	600	470	100
Dam structure, cost per cu yd of embankment	0.96	1.03	0.92	0.94	0.73	0.52	0.53	0.34
Clearing, cost per acre, conserv. water surface	49	11	10	2	13	8	7	18
Rights-of-way, cost per acre, max. water surface	69	218	30	41	76	115	112	160
Relocations, percentage of total cost	3.67	2.33	1.21	0.89	38.03	12.00	7.23	16.41
Drainage area, cost per sq mile to control and conserve	8,670	8,310	7,710	2,370	4,520	8,200	8,260	12,730

TABLE IV. Data on irrigation units

	Meeker Driftwood	Red Willow (partial)	Cambridge	Franklin	Superior-Courtland (partial)	Sup.-Court. (partial) & Courtland	Kirwin
Years Built	1958	1954	1955	1956	1952	1958	1957
Physical data and relationships							
Acres per system	16,400	7,000	15,600	15,270	6,320	51,650	11,500
Miles	62.9	19.4	49.2	61.8	30.0	119.2	44.0
Lateral canal:							
Initial cap., cfs	284	130	325	308	139	751	175
Acres	6,450	2,150	3,200	2,770	1,500	10,790	3,600
Acres per mile	103	111	65	45	50	90	82
Miles	43.2	13.1	44.2	45.5	22.0	164.6	30.5
Capacities, cfs	4 to 30	6 to 18	6 to 30	6 to 24	6 to 18	6 to 42	4 to 24
Acres	9,950	4,850	12,400	12,500	4,820	40,860	7,900
Acres per mile	231	370	281	278	219	248	259
Acres per mile of system	155	215	167	142	123	182	154
Hydrology							
Consumptive use, acre-ft per acre	2.45	2.46	2.46	2.54	2.56	2.56	2.50
Effective precip., ft	1.40	1.45	1.50	1.53	1.60	1.60	1.53
Diversion req., acre-ft per acre	2.00	1.90	1.81	2.39	2.16	2.16	1.85
Field costs and relationships (Includes right-of-way but excludes investigation, engineering and administration)							
Canals	$4,136,000	$1,018,000	$4,050,000	$4,254,000	$1,426,000	$ 8,253,000	$2,432,000
Laterals	646,000	191,000	744,000	838,000	279,000	2,566,000	582,000
Rights-of-way	363,000	142,000	418,000	408,000	217,000	780,000	654,000
Total	$5,145,000	$1,351,000	$5,212,000	$5,500,000	$1,922,000	$11,599,000	$3,668,000
Canal cost per mile	65,800	51,600	82,500	68,900	47,500	69,200	56,400
Lateral cost per mile	15,000	14,600	16,800	18,400	12,700	15,600	19,100
Right-of-way cost per mile	3,420	4,370	4,470	3,800	4,170	2,750	8,780
System cost per acre	314	193	333	360	304	225	319

Building the world's highest arch span

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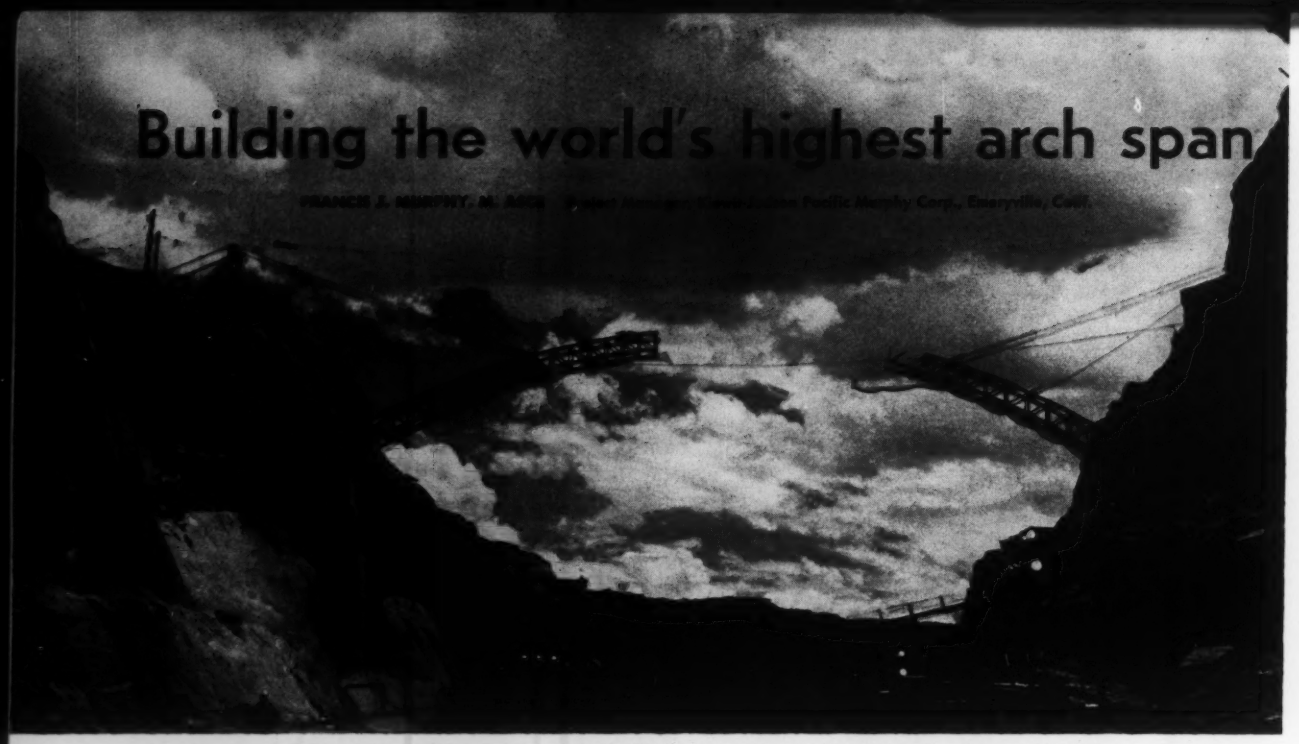


Cables hold the Glen Canyon arch of 1,028-ft span as it is built out from the sheer walls of the canyon, just downstream from the dam site. All photos courtesy U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

The world's highest arch bridge is soon to be opened to traffic and the Colorado River will be spanned once more—this time by the highest steel arch bridge in the world. Of even greater significance is the fact that the completion of this 1,028-ft steel span will mark the termination of one of the first major contracts in the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation's Glen Canyon development. (See "Construction Begins on Glen Canyon Dam", by W. A. Dexheimer, M. ASCE, CIVIL ENGINEERING, July 1957, vol. p. 473.)

Officially, the Glen Canyon Bridge is one of the initial segments of the contemplated Colorado River Storage Project embracing $760 million in funds for the Bureau of Reclamation's water development and power plants. Located about 140 miles upstream from the Grand Canyon, the Glen Canyon Dam site (Fig. 1) is 16 miles from Lees Ferry, Ariz., and 135 miles from Flagstaff, Ariz., the nearest railhead. The dam is scheduled for completion in 1964.

The Glen Canyon Bridge is one of the most interesting projects to be built in this country for some time. In addition to being the highest bridge of its type in the world, it was built in a completely isolated area. When the estimates were made for the job, the only access to the site was by private plane landing in the desert, or by an extremely difficult 75-mile overland trip in a four-wheel-drive jeep from Kanab, Utah.

The joint-venture firm of Kiewit-Judson Pacific Murphy was the successful bidder on the Glen Canyon Project on December 19, 1956; the only other bidder was Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corporation.

Over the deep canyon the steel obviously had to be erected from the top without falsework. Tiebacks to hold the arch during erection were a natural means of construction. And an overhead line or cableway was a logical means for the transport and erection of members as it greatly reduced the load that had to be supported on the erected steel over the deep canyon.

With this general plan for the work, construction started on a camp site and access roads into the area. Eight weeks were spent in minimum preliminary development of the site.

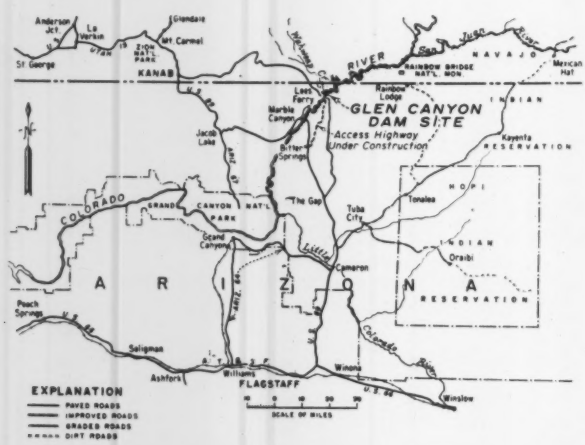


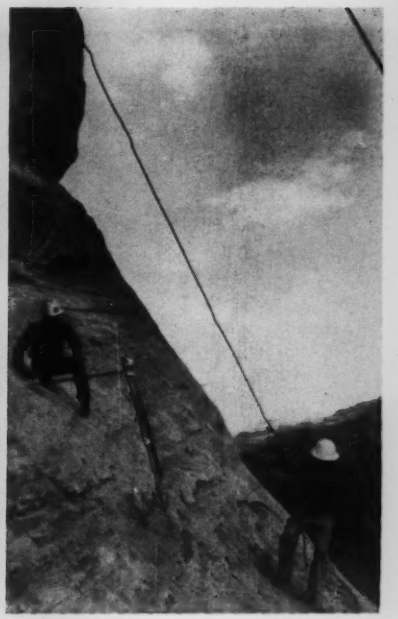
FIG. 1. A 145-mile truck haul from Flagstaff over poor roads was one of the problems of building the bridge across Glen Canyon.

Foundation work

Foundations or skewbacks for the arch were installed some 500 ft above the surface of the Colorado River. Rock on the west side was found to be less dependable than anticipated and 9,500 cu yd were removed, requiring a larger skewback than had been planned and better ties into the rock.

Pneumatic drill, mounted on a quarry-bar, line drills holes along the excavation for the skewback.

Forms for placing concrete for the skewback were bolted to the nearly vertical rock wall of the canyon.



Accurately locating and placing the bridge base plates was a tough job for surveyors and bridgemen.

Getting a foothold on the nearly vertical canyon walls presented a problem. Workmen were supported in bosun's chairs, hazardous looking but as safe as other methods. Our own forces handled the surveying, establishing controls independent of the Bureau of Reclamation. Members of our surveying crew were exceptionally good high scalers, and what they could do on the cliff faces was phenomenal. While hanging by manila lines, they often took readings while the legs of their surveying instruments were inserted in crevices, supported on bars stuck into the cliff, or rested on tiny ledges.

Regular pneumatic drills were used but these were mounted on a quarry bar instead of being worked from a platform. The skewback periphery was line drilled, then blasted with light charges to avoid disturbing adjacent rock.

After excavation to the prescribed measurements, holes were drilled an additional 30 ft into the rock and anchor rods grouted in. Reinforcing was set and the skewback concreted with the main bridge base-plates or grillages in place. It was a critical operation, of course, to locate the base plates and anchor rods, for which surveying was done under most difficult conditions.

Steel fabrication

Fabrication of the steel started in October 1957 in the shops of the Judson Pacific-Murphy Corp. in Emeryville, Calif. Most of the members are built-up sections of angles and plates of structural carbon steel and structural alloy steel. Throughout the arch rivets were used, ranging in diameter from 1⅛ in. down to ⅞ in. The vertical posts, floor beams and stringers required normal fabrication, but the arch chord members had to be milled to a tolerance of 1/10,000th of an inch.

Before the steel was shipped to the job site, it was laid out on the ground and completely assembled in the form of four half-arches. In normal practice only three or four panels would be laid out and, as members were removed from one end, new members would be added to the other until the entire structure had been checked. However, on this job the dimensions were so critical, and it was so important to make sure that everything would go together smoothly at the site, that 21 panels were assembled (half the arch) before knocking down for shipment.

With the arch assembled on the ground, it was possible to introduce the proper rise and camber by taking physical measurements. When everything was found to be correct, the subpunched holes were reamed full size and the shop rivets installed. Open holes were left for field connections. Before shipment, the steel was sandblasted and given a shop coat of paint in Emeryville. All inaccessible steel surfaces received three coats of paint in the shop.

The fabricated steel was shipped 800 miles to Flagstaff by rail. Trucks and trailers hauled it the remaining 135 miles to the job site, where it was yarded in a storage area some 300 yd from the east end of the bridge.

Because the roads to the job site were not adequate for heavy trucking, the largest load carried was one of the four bottom-chord sections to be placed nearest the canyon walls. These sections weighed about 27 tons each. The longest member delivered was 54 ft.

Since a single cableway could not be considered adequate for construction in the single working season allowed for erection, two cableways were decided on. One cableway with fixed towers, a 1,500-ft span and a track cable of 2-in. diameter provided 12½-ton capacity for the transport of personnel and light materials. This cableway ran beside the structure at a distance of 10 ft from it.

Main cableway for steel erection

The main cableway was located on the centerline of the bridge and used mainly for setting steel. The fact that the two trusses of the bridge are 40 ft apart presented a problem as it was necessary to shift the cableway so that it would be almost directly over each truss for ease in placing steel.

Two principal methods for horizontal movement were considered—traveling towers and tilting towers. The latter were chosen for economical reasons and they worked out extremely well.

Because of the different ground ele-

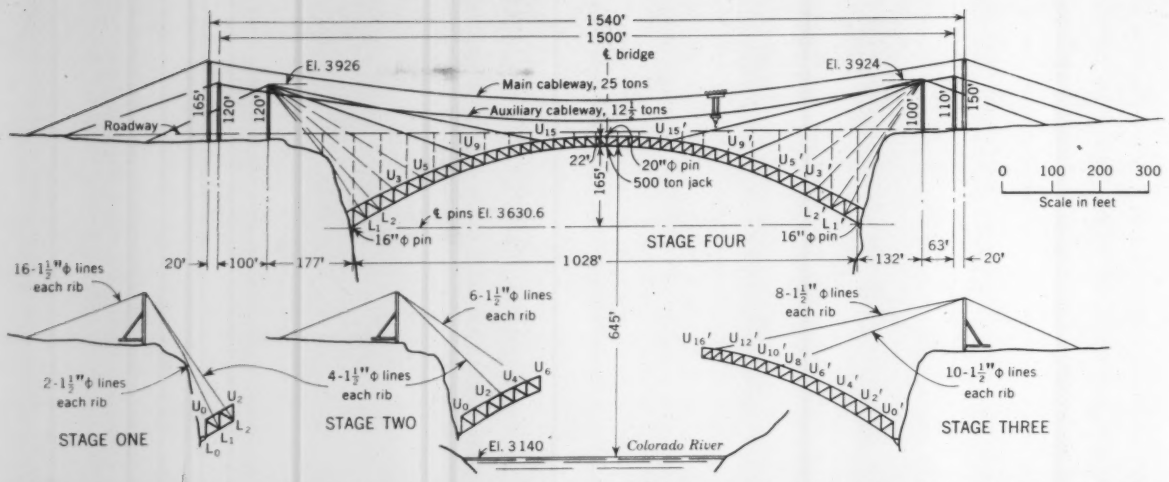


FIG. 2. Four stages of Glen Canyon Bridge construction are shown. First members L_0 L_1 were erected and held by two tie lines to L_1. All members were erected out to U_2 L_2 and held by four lines to L_2 for each rib. In second stage, erection continued out to U_4 L_4, and ties were placed at U_2; ties to L_1 and L_2 were removed. After erection to U_6 L_6, six ties were connected to U_2; the lines to U_2 were salvaged. Erection continued to U_{10} L_{10} with ten tiebacks placed at U_6; landward ties were removed. Additional members were placed to U_{12} L_{12} and eight ties at U_{12} adjusted to position the arch. These cables held the steel for completion of erection at a temporary pin at U_{21}. After closure and adjustment, riveted plates took over the center connection to make a two-hinged arch. Each of the supporting masts was tied back by 16 cables of 1½-in. diameter.

vations on each side of the canyon, one tower was 165 ft high and the other 150 ft. These towers were mounted on two pins at right angles to each other so that they could be tilted backward, forward, or to either side. They were luffed by means of side guys, the luffing being limited by fixed pennants adjusted to the maximum permissible movement.

The main cableway was designed for a 25-ton maximum load with a safety factor of three. The span, center to center of towers, was 1,540 ft. The hoisting speed was about 110 fpm and the lowering speed about 125 fpm. The carriage speed was 350 fpm. The head-tower, 165 ft high, weighed 35 tons and the tail-tower 32 tons.

The main track cable was a coil cable of 3-in. diameter, socketed as each end. When the hook was carrying a 25-ton load, the carriage was not run closer than 125 ft to either tower but could approach it with little or no load. The take-up for the track cable was 1⅜-in. regular lay cable, dead-ended to the top of the tail-tower. The cable passed through a series of sheaves forming a ten-part line, then back over a sheave on the tail-tower and down to base of the tower, where it was secured. A 92-ft sag of the main track cable was maintained within 2 percent by means of the take-up.

A two-drum, Superior-Lidgerwood-Mundy hoist of 250 hp was used for the main cableway. It was powered by a Waukesha diesel unit with a torque converter, hydraulic clutch controls, and manual brake controls. It had a line pull of 14,000 lb at 350 fpm with a 1,600-rpm maximum operating speed.

Tie-back system

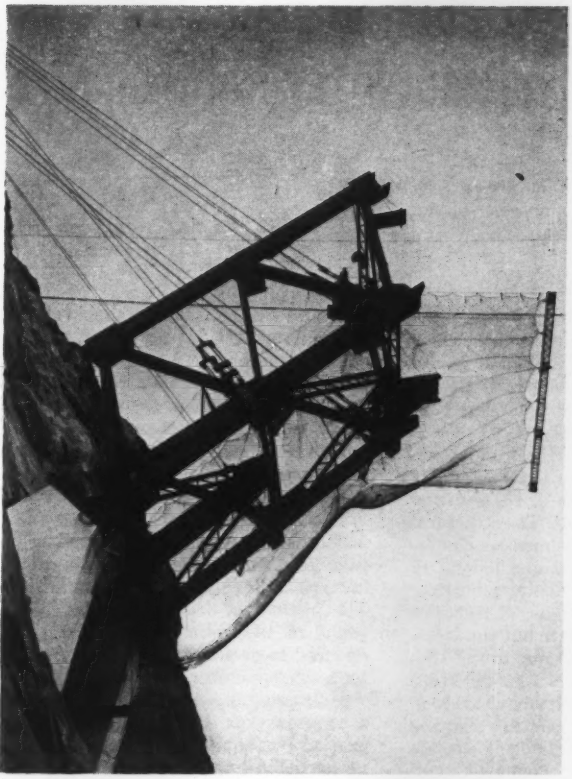
How the tie-back cables supported the arch during construction is shown in Fig. 2. A total of 48,340 ft of 1½-in. bridge strand was used for these cables. The maximum number of lines in use at any one time was 72. The most unusual feature of the tie-back system was the jacking arrangement, which permitted adjusting the length of the lines. Jacks were located between a pair of strong-backs at a point where the cables were attached to the arch in such a way that by expanding they would tension the cables.

By means of the jacks, the length of any two lines could be adjusted down to one-thousandth of an inch if necessary. The arch could thus be raised or lowered as required to make the final closure. These Watson-Stillman Co. hydraulic jacks of 110-ton capacity were used with water as fluid instead of oil to prevent the steel from becoming slippery in case the jacks should leak. Jacking was manual since close computation of deflections made it possible to preset the jacks so that little movement was required.

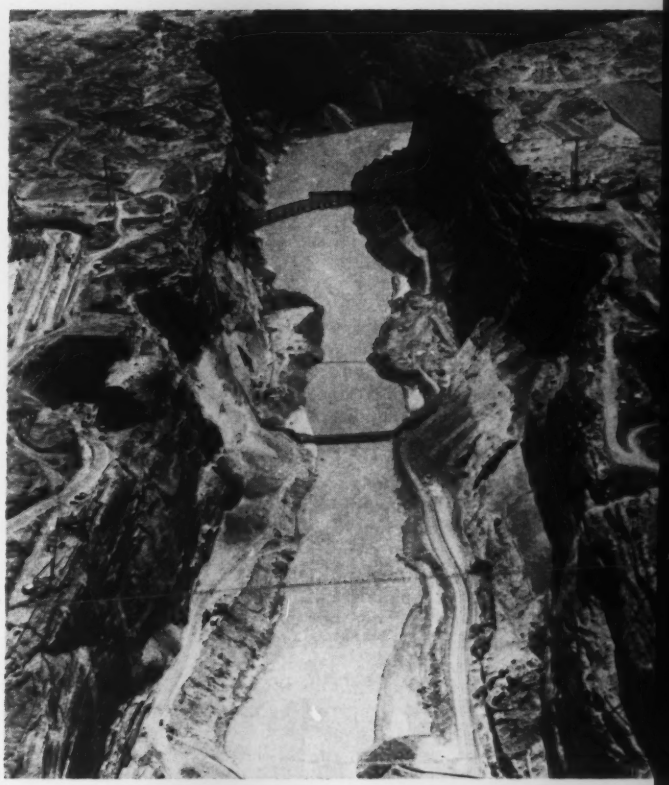
Jacks were used not only during the closure, but also to adjust the tie-back lines to equalize tension during erection operations. As erection proceeded, new tie-back cables were set in advanced positions and the previous ones released. The rear cables were extended in length and reused in a new position. The jacks were used to relieve the tension in the rear lines, thus transferring the load to the forward lines. The operation was carried on in such a way that it was seldom necessary to jack tension into a line, thus minimizing the work required.

Pressure on the jacks indicated that the actual loads in the tie-back cables never varied more than 5 percent from the theoretically computed loads. When the two half arches met in the middle and were pinned at the top chord, the tie-back cables were released and the entire arch was allowed to support itself. At this time it was, in effect, a three-hinged arch; that is, there were 16-in. pins at each skewback and a 20-in. pin at mid-span. However, the bridge was designed as a two-hinged arch with no hinge at the center. To lock the center hinge, which was used for simplifying the closure, jacks were placed in the lower chords at mid-span and a specified amount of load was jacked into the bottom chord. This load varied with the temperature and the live load that was on the bridge at the time. Shims were placed after the correct load was achieved and the bottom chord was drilled and riveted, after which the pin in the upper chord became inoperative.

With the arch completely erected and riveted, it was a comparatively simple matter to complete the deck system. The largest piece of steel placed in this section was a vertical column 162 ft long near the canyon walls. This col-



Steel erection starts on the west side of the river. Faulty rock required larger skewbacks than had been planned. The safety net saved three men from falling into the canyon.



Start of deck erection for the Glen Canyon Bridge. Cableways for bridge erection are held by the guyed masts. Traveling towers are for the dam construction cableways.

umn could have been built by placing a section at a time and making splices with the column in place. It was practical, however, to place the entire member, which weighed 29 tons, as a unit by using both of the cableways simultaneously.

The pickup points on the column were selected to keep the load properly distributed between the two cableways. The column was moved horizontally from the top of the canyon. Then, with a man stationed at the cliff edge giving signals to the hoist operators, the huge member was slowly tilted into a vertical position and set in place. For this operation it was necessary to luff the cableway towers to the maximum. This procedure proved most successful and was used for setting all of the large vertical columns.

Bolts for deck

The specifications permitted the use of high-strength bolts to connect the deck system of the bridge, and that method was employed. In tightening these bolts, the turn-of-nut method was used. This proved to be a fast and efficient procedure. (See article by M. H. Frincke, A.M. ASCE, CIVIL ENGINEERING, Jan. 1958, vol. p. 31.)

Considerable study was also given to the forms for the deck concrete. Reuse of forms was deemed uneconomical because of delay in placing and completion. Stripping was dangerous on the high project and labor costly in this remote area. We decided to use "leave-in-place" steel forms for the deck and wood forms for the walkway, which could be stripped more easily. Concrete for the entire bridge deck was placed in twelve days using the main cableway.

The safety record for this job was remarkable. There were no fatalities and only a few lost-time injuries. An unusual safety precaution was the installation of protective tunnels of Armco corrugated steel pipe on each bank some 700 ft below the bridge. These tunnels permitted personnel to walk under the bridge without being exposed to the hazards of falling objects.

A safety net suspended from the arch at all times saved the lives of three men and undoubtedly speeded the work. It was a most gratifying experience to see a man emerge from the net having lost only five minutes of working time as compared to the probable loss of his life if the net had not been there.

Joint venture project

The joint-venturers for the project were Judson Pacific-Murphy Corp. of Emeryville, Calif., a subsidiary of Yuba Consolidated Industries, Inc., and Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. of Omaha, Nebr. The author, Francis J. Murphy, was the project manager and William A. Choate was the project superintendent.

Earl and Wright, Inc., of San Francisco, were the engineering consultants to the joint venturers. Under the direction of the project enginer, Alpo J. Tokola, J. M. ASCE, they developed the erection procedure. L. F. Wylie, M. ASCE, is project construction engineer for the Bureau of Reclamation on the Glen Canyon Project. The design of the bridge was performed under the supervision of Grand Bloodgood, M. ASCE, Assistant Commissioner and Chief Engineer, Denver. The dam is now being built under a $108 million contract held by Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. of New York, N. Y.

Stress analysis of a large radar antenna by digital computer

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In the past few years the civil engineering profession has become aware of the capabilities of high-speed electronic digital computers. At M.I.T. since 1952, the writers have had the opportunity to utilize various digital computers in connection with analytical structural research programs. One recent application of the IMB 704 computer which is expected to interest the practicing engineer is the analysis of the highly redundant three-dimensional framework shown in the accompanying photograph.

In this problem both the joint displacements and the bar stresses were required for several sets of loads. The time required to perform a rigorous analysis of the 3-D framework by conventional methods (without the aid of an electronic computer) would have been prohibitive on the basis of both calendar time and man hours. Indeed, the original designers of the structure, lacking time for experimentation with analysis by digital computer, utilized only approximate methods. One purpose of analysis of the antenna is to check results obtained by the approximate method. This paper is concerned principally with the implications of the computer technique. It is presented in the hope that other designers with similar structural problems will find something useful in the procedure.

The structure studied is a radar antenna having a height of 18 ft, a variable depth with a maximum of 13½ ft, and an overall length of 120 ft. The structural system consists of 319 members interconnected at 106 joints and having 12 reaction components. The members are so arranged that the external reactions are statically determinate but the structure is internally redundant to the 19th degree. The members are aluminum pipe sections and all joints are welded although in the analysis they are assumed to be pinned. The primary loads are dead load, ice load, and wind load.

An especially convenient, although not uncommon, feature of the structural arrangement, which is a prerequisite for the method of solution used, is the absence of members that connect joints in non-adjacent panels of the truss. The presence of this kind of member would necessitate a revision of the analytic procedure used.

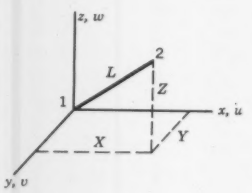
The structure was analyzed by the stiffness matrix method, which essentially involves writing the equations of force equilibrium for each coordinate direction at each joint in terms of the displacements of that joint and the adjacent joints.

In a 3-D structure with N joints (not including supports), this procedure leads to a set of $3N$ simultaneous equations in terms of $3N$ unknown displacements. The method of determining the coefficients of the stiffness matrix may be deduced from the equilibrium equations for a single member illustrated in Fig. 1. The six equations shown in the figure are expressions for the force components exerted by the member on the joints at its two ends in terms of the six joint displacements and the direction cosines α, β and γ. The stiffness matrix for this member is the 6 x 6 matrix of the coefficients of the displacements on the right side of the equations. The complete joint equations are obtained by adding and equating to zero (or the external load) the expressions for the forces exerted in each coordinate direction by all the members at the joint.

For the antenna framework, the stiffness matrix is a 300 x 300 square matrix (since there are 300 unknown displacements) which involves 90,000 coefficients, many of which are zero. However, the primary memory of the IBM 704 utilized in this investigation has room for only 8,192 words. This insufficiency of storage space in primary memory is a common difficulty encountered in the use of computers. A more serious difficulty than memory space is computing time. Although the IBM 704 is capable of 40,000 operations per second, a 300 x 300 matrix if solved directly would require excessive machine time. For these two reasons it is necessary to develop a modification of procedures commonly used in manipulating matrices.

The structural geometry is such that the stiffness matrix for the antenna is amenable to arrangement in submatrices each of which is small enough to be handled by the computer. The method of elimination is used on each submatrix

L = length
AE = member stiffness
$\alpha = X/L$
$\beta = Y/L$
$\gamma = Z/L$
u, v, w = joint displacements
F = force components



Force components for the pin-ended member shown above are computed as follow:

$$F_{1x} = \frac{AE}{L}(\ \alpha^2u_2 + \alpha\beta v_2 + \alpha\gamma w_2 - \alpha^2u_1 - \alpha\beta v_1 - \alpha\gamma w_1)$$

$$F_{1y} = \frac{AE}{L}(\ \alpha\beta u_2 + \beta^2v_2 + \beta\gamma w_2 - \alpha\beta u_1 - \beta^2v_1 - \beta\gamma w_1)$$

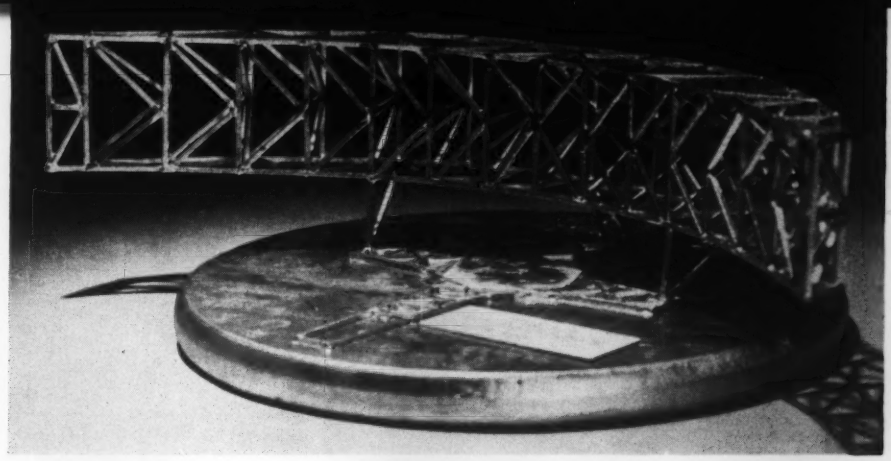
$$F_{1z} = \frac{AE}{L}(\ \alpha\gamma u_2 + \beta\gamma v_2 + \gamma^2w_2 - \alpha\gamma u_1 - \beta\gamma v_1 - \gamma^2w_1)$$

$$F_{2x} = \frac{AE}{L}(-\alpha^2u_2 - \alpha\beta v_2 - \alpha\gamma w_2 + \alpha^2u_1 + \alpha\beta v_1 + \alpha\gamma w_1)$$

$$F_{2y} = \frac{AE}{L}(-\alpha\beta u_2 - \beta^2v_2 - \beta\gamma w_2 + \alpha\beta u_1 + \beta^2v_1 + \beta\gamma w_1)$$

$$F_{2z} = \frac{AE}{L}(-\alpha\gamma u_2 - \beta\gamma v_2 - \gamma^2w_2 + \alpha\gamma u_1 + \beta\gamma v_1 + \gamma^2w_1)$$

FIG. 1. Stiffness matrix is developed for a pin-ended member



Model indicates three-dimensional framework of the radar antenna for which a computer program is described here. Analysis of the highly redundant 3-D framework was performed with the aid of an IBM 704 computer.

in succession with the back substitution deferred until the last submatrix. Of the 90,000 coefficients in the matrix, only about 7,000 are non-zero and these are grouped along one diagonal of the matrix. The significance of this fact is illustrated by Fig. 2, which shows the matrix for a similar but smaller structure. All the non-zero terms are contained in the submatrices *I*, *II*, *III* and *IV*. The overlapping squares *a*, *b*, and *c*, are smaller submatrices which are common to adjacent larger submatrices.

Since each submatrix is concerned only with a discrete number of unknowns, it is possible to operate on each submatrix independently, thus reducing the time and space required to reasonable proportions. Starting with the stiffness matrix and the external truss loading stored on tape, and with the stiffness matrix arranged as a sequence of submatrices *I*, *II*, *III* and *IV* (Fig. 2), the procedure is as follows:

First, submatrix *I* is read into primary memory and the elimination procedure is performed on those unknowns which are not common to the next adjacent submatrix. Thus if submatrix *I* is a 12 x 12 and submatrix *a* a 4 x 4, elimination is performed on only the first 8 unknowns.

The modified submatrix *I′* is stored back on tape and the second submatrix *II* is brought in from tape. The modified lower-right-corner submatrix *a′* in *I′* is stored over the *a* submatrix in the upper left corner in submatrix *II*. Elimination is then performed on all unknowns in submatrix *II* except those that are related to submatrix *b*. This procedure is repeated until the elimination is complete for the entire matrix. At this stage in the computation the back substitution portion of the method is applied to each successive matrix in turn but in reverse order starting with modified submatrix *IV′*. The resulting answers are joint displacements. For the subject truss the largest individual submatrix is a 45 x 45 and the typical submatrix is 36 x 36. The 300 x 300 matrix is subdivided into 14 submatrices.

When all the joint displacements have been determined, the bar stresses are obtained by a short independent program. This is simply an evaluation of the equation for bar stress,

$$F = \frac{AE}{L}\left[\alpha\,(u_2 - u_1) + \beta\,(v_2 - v_1) + \gamma\,(w_2 - w_1)\right]$$

in which the notation is the same as in Fig. 1.

One of the basic difficulties in using a digital computer to solve problems of this type for which a solution by any other technique would be impracticable, is the necessity for developing some kind of check on the computations. In this case, a simpler hand-computable trial problem was established having the same basic characteristics as the principal problem. The preliminary programming and testing was performed on this smaller problem and in this way the correctness of the general procedure was verified. In addition, equilibrium checks were made using the bar stresses obtained in the final solution of the real problem. These consisted of testing the equilibrium of the external loads and also the equilibrium of the stresses in bars cut by various planes through the structure and the loads to one side of such planes. These checks indicated that the maximum error in bar stresses was less than 10 lb in bars having stresses of several thousand pounds.

The computer program developed for this problem can be utilized on the IBM 704 to solve any size of planar or three-dimensional truss having the geometric characteristic specified above. The stiffness matrix was hand-calculated in this study and would be required input data for the present program. However, a procedure is being prepared that will permit the computer to calculate and store the stiffness matrix from a list of joint coordinates and member sizes. This is highly desirable because hand-calculation of the stiffness matrix in this problem required about 15 man days.

The procedure is also capable of handling a large number of loading cases simultaneously without taxing the computer memory. In addition, it is a very simple procedure to introduce the effects of changes in truss member sizes on the indeterminate analysis because the stiffness matrix is only affected locally. Thus the design process can be speeded up immeasurably. In the subject problem one complete solution for one loading is obtained in 10 minutes. Each additional loading case adds approximately 4 minutes to the computer time.

The analysis described above is one more example of the value of computers in the design of complex structures. Not only is a rigorous rather than an approximate solution obtained but the actual time required is less than that required

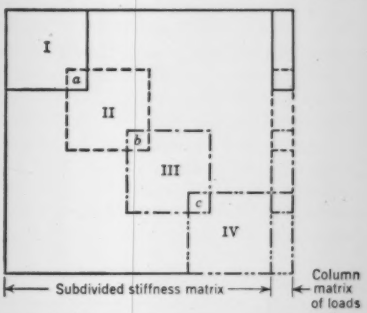


FIG. 2. Partitioning of augmented stiffness matrix for a similar but smaller structure gives four submatrices with smaller submatrices common to each.

for the approximate solution using ordinary computing devices. The procedure described above also indicates the importance of investigating a variety of possible solution methods. Instead of a solution time of 10 minutes, one available program would have required approximately 14 machine hours to solve this problem. Another program would have required approximately 90 minutes.

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OAHE DAM CLOSURE—

Another shackle on the Missouri River

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Closure of the Army Engineers' mammoth Oahe Dam, on the Missouri River six miles upstream from Pierre, S. Dak., was completed at 3:35 a.m., Aug. 3, 1958. The feat of literally choking off the Missouri River and diverting a 9,000-cfs inflow into storage behind the dam was accomplished after a 21½-hour struggle in which man was pitted against the river. The method of closure was unusual in that a difficult diversion was accomplished as a routine-appearing operation made possible by a huge fleet of earthmovers and an abundance of Pierre shale, the bedrock common to the area. Electronic computers were used to determine the optimum channel size, required equipment capacities, and speed of closure.

Any story dealing with the construction of the Oahe project would be incomplete without a description of the overall project, which is king-sized in every way. When completed, Oahe will lay claim to the title of the world's largest rolled earth dam. It will be 9,300 ft long and 242 ft high, and will contain 90 million cu yd of earth and shale. Push-button control over a subdued Missouri is furnished by six massive outlet tunnels in the right (facing downstream) abutment. In addition to these huge tubes, each one capable of holding a freight train, the dam will be pierced in the left abutment by seven power tunnels each 24 ft in diameter, leading to a 595,000-kw hydroelectric plant, the largest on the Missouri River.

One mile landward from the right abutment the dam will be served by a gated spillway 456 ft long at the crest and capable of carrying 300,000 cfs. The outlet works (completed), spillway and power facilities (under construction) will require about one million cu yd of concrete.

Behind the Oahe embankment, the Missouri River will form a 250-mile reservoir which, at full pool, will cover 376,000 acres and contain 23,600,000 acre-ft of water. The headwaters of this huge impoundment will extend to a point about five miles down river from Bismarck, N. Dak.

Oahe, 1124.3 miles above the mouth of the Missouri River, is situated between two companion Missouri River dams, now in operation. See map, Fig. 1. Garrison Dam in North Dakota is 331 miles upstream from Oahe. Some 200 miles down river, Fort Randall Dam exercises multiple control over the once wild Missouri. Other Missouri River dams include Fort Peck in eastern Montana and Gavins Point at the Nebraska and South Dakota border near Yankton, S. Dak.

Construction of the sixth and final link in the chain of these multiple-purpose projects, Big Bend Dam, is scheduled to start in 1959.

Teaming up to make the Missouri River a servant instead of a master, these big dams also came in handy during the construction phase, giving big assists in water control while one of the earth links was being forged elsewhere on the main stem. Such was the role of Garrison and Fort Randall Dams during the Oahe closure.

Garrison provided a means of regulating the flow at Oahe to a minimum during diversion. Towns between Garrison and Oahe relying upon the Missouri to provide water for domestic supplies and for sewage disposal required a minimum of 6,000 cfs from Garrison.

Studies of stream flow records showed that the uncontrolled tributaries below Garrison could be ex-

FIG. 1. Oahe Dam is the newest of five major structures on the Missouri. Big Bend Dam is scheduled for start of construction this year.

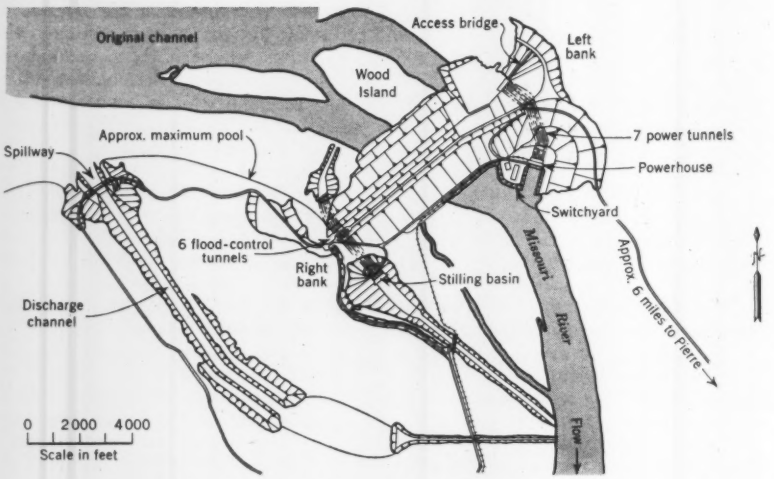

FIG. 2. Plan of Oahe Dam on the Missouri River.

Oahe Dam near the end of the 1958 construction season. The several features of the permanent structure are shown in white.

pected to contribute an additional 1,000 to 4,000 cfs. With this in mind, the diversion operation was planned for inflows to Oahe of from 7,000 to 10,000 cfs. Meanwhile, Fort Randall Reservoir downstream had been filled to 4,460,000 acre-ft to guarantee a flow of 30,000 cfs required for navigation and other needs in the river below Omaha, Nebr., in addition to meeting the summer's heavy power demand.

Early in the design stage it became evident that the best results from the standpoint of economy in construction and a more stable abutment would be realized if the outlet tunnels, of 19-ft 9-in. diameter, were set as high as possible. The tunnel portals at both ends are in deep shale excavations (Fig. 2); thus the higher the setting the shorter the tunnels; the less the excavation, the more stable the slopes. The invert of the riverward, and lowest, of the six outlet tunnels is at El. 1425, which is about the river stage for the normal summer flow of 30,000 cfs. The inverts of the remaining tunnels are set progressively 6 ft higher, the landward tunnel invert being at El. 1455, or 30 ft above the normal river surface.

A reservoir elevation of 1445 is required to pass a discharge of 7,000 cfs through the tunnels; this is a head differential of 25 ft above the tailwater elevation for that discharge. The head differential for 10,000 cfs is 28 ft. With heads of this magnitude required for discharging the river flow, it was evident that little dependence could be placed on tunnel capacity, at least during the early phases of any diversion scheme. Ultimate success must depend on maintaining a steadily rising pool, by diverting the inflow into storage.

The basic problem was how to build the needed head in the contracted channel at the dam site starting with a river discharge of 7,000 to 10,000 cfs. The head build-up had to be steady and swift enough so that the rate of storage accumulation in the pool upstream eventually would equal the river inflow. Many plans were studied. Among them was the placing of rock-filled timber cribs across the river channel, dumping heavy, hard rock or shale into the channel from a bridge or trestle especially built for the purpose, and blasting large stockpiles of shale from the banks into the river channel. These plans and others were discarded because of high costs or uncertainty of performance.

When construction of Oahe Dam was started in 1950, the Missouri River was a mile wide between its banks. In midchannel lay Wood Island, a high wooded sand bar about a half mile wide. The whole flood plain is covered with a 70-ft thickness of alluvium (fine sand and silt) over shale bedrock.

In the spring of 1952 the channel to the left, or east, side of Wood Island was blocked by a low-level shale barrier. The west side of Wood Island was armored with 60,000 cu yd of dumped shale for bank protection to stabilize what was now the left bank of the remaining 1,700-ft width of river channel. Later in 1952 the channel was narrowed to 1,050 ft by extending the embankment into the river from the right bank. In the fall of 1953 the channel was again narrowed, this time to 650 ft, by additional embankment construction, encroaching from the right bank. This width was considered to be the minimum that would pass flood flows without serious erosion of the banks. Material lost either from the end of the embankment or from Wood Island would have to be replaced by pay dirt. The river remained 650 ft wide until the 1958 construction season, although embankment construction was continuous under five separate earthwork contracts, on one or both banks of the river from the start of construction in 1950.

The plan selected for closure was a natural one for the specific conditions that prevailed at Oahe. To illustrate, the embankment base is 3,700 ft between the upstream and downstream toes. Starting at the upstream toe and extending 1,000 ft downstream, the base of the embankment below the river surface is built of dumped shale. The downstream portion is similar except that the dumped shale extends only 600 ft. See Fig. 3.

Normal earthwork construction at Oahe requires a rate of excavation and placement of at least 2,500 cu yd per hour. Sampling of shale at random from required excavations showed gradations ranging from silt to the 6-ft size. Average samples had 50 percent of the material by weight finer and coarser than the 15-in. size.

Why then couldn't the river be stopped by rapid dumping of shale into the channel within the normal dumped shale zones of the embankment? Initial studies showed that it could be stopped by rapid and continuous narrowing of the channel until it was choked off at heads well below the 25 to 28 ft required to divert the full inflow through

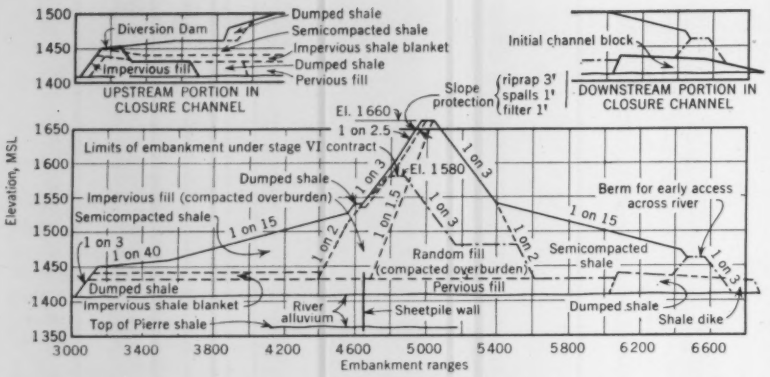

FIG. 3. Typical valley section of Oahe Dam embankment. Scale is distorted 4 vertical to 1 horizontal. The semicompacted zones are made more massive near the abutments.

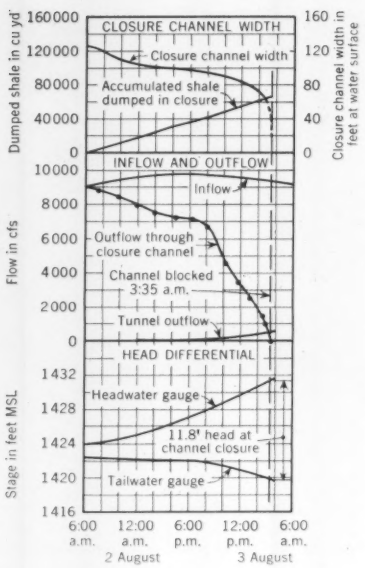

FIG. 4. Dumped material closed the channel, reduced the flow, and increased the head differential at Oahe Dam site during a dramatic 24-hour period last August.➔

the permanent diversion tunnels.

The upstream shale zone was better for closure than the downstream one because the necessary length to develop the head would be available. Also, at this location it was planned to build the diversion dam, part of the ultimate embankment, to divert flows through the tunnels. However, for initial closure the upstream zone was abandoned in favor of the downstream zone, because the high velocity through the ever narrowing channel would carry shale into the central zone of the embankment, an objectionable material in that area. As the downstream berm lacked length, it would be necessary to add a 300-ft shale dike downstream to confine the flow. After initial shutoff was accomplished at the downstream location, earthmoving operations would immediately be shifted upstream for the building of the diversion dam.

Electronic computer used

The initial hydraulic analysis, which demonstrated the feasibility of the closure plan, was implemented by a large number of computations made with the assistance of an electronic computer. Constant values of inflow, length of diversion channel, and rate of dumping rock over the channel banks were assumed. Computations were made for successive short time intervals. The head rise during each interval increased the reservoir storage. The rate of storage increase and the tunnel outflow, if any, were subtracted from the inflow to give the outflow through the diversion channel.

The headwater and tailwater elevations determined the slope in the diversion channel which, together with the discharge, defined the transport rate of rock out of the downstream end of the fill. The difference between the volume dumped and the volume transported out increased the fill, causing the headwater to rise.

The phenomena just described are closely interacting, and their analytical solution required a lengthy series of trial-and-error calculations. This could best be performed by an electronic digital computer of the stored-program type, utilizing 2000 storage locations. The computer reduced to five minutes a diversion calculation that would have required two days by hand. In all, 120 different diversions were computed.

Using the computer results for a certain combination of inflow, diversion channel length and dumping rate, it was possible to plot time against discharge, headwater, tailwater, channel width, volume accumulation in the fill, and the transport rate. Among other principal parameters studied were rock size, hydraulic roughness, and shape of the channel cross-section. Computations over a wide range of possible conditions verified the assumption that diversion was entirely feasible for inflows from 7,000 to 10,000 cfs, for a diversion channel length of 600 to 1,000 ft, and for a rock dumping rate of 2,500 cu yd per hour.

Diversion and closure in earthwork contract

The closure was part of the contract for building the sixth stage of the Oahe embankment, awarded November 11, 1957. Over 24,000,000 cu yd of excavation (shale and overburden in three unclassified bid items) are included in the contract, which has a scheduled completion date of February 29, 1960. Since the work in connection with diversion and closure is a normal required earthwork operation, no special payment item was provided. Payment was made under the unit prices for excavation and fill. Since the plans were fully detailed by the Government, the contractor was not required to prepare a plan of his own.

At the time this earthwork job was advertised, it was uncertain whether outlet works would be ready for diversion in mid-summer 1958. In the event that diversion had to be postponed until the spring of 1959, continuing work was scheduled for the contractor in the spillway area, where 7,600,000 cu yd of excavation was included in the contract.

Closure effected

The first encroachment of the embankment on the river in 1958 was made as planned, narrowing the gap from 650 ft to 350 ft. River flows varied from 15,000 to 30,000 cfs. Early in the construction season an ice jam occurred downstream from the dam. The resulting backwater overtopped by 10 ft the fill that was already in the river. Construction was suspended for several days and some fill material was lost when the backwater was released after the ice jam broke. The first encroachment portion of the embankment was raised to El. 1500 by July.

By June it was determined that closure could be made in 1958 and the

contractor was advised to proceed accordingly. On July 7 the second encroachment was started, narrowing the river from 350 ft to 125 ft (except in the central part of the embankment) at the rate of 25 ft per day. Meanwhile, river flows through the gap were reduced from 29,000 cfs to 15,000 cfs by regulating releases from Garrison Dam upstream. The second encroachment portion was raised to El. 1490 in July. The channel was maintained at the 125 ft width until construction of the initial channel block was started.

At 6:00 a.m. on Aug. 2 construction of the initial channel block was started. At the start, the river was racing through the gap at 9,000 cfs and was predicted to crest at 9,500 cfs on Aug. 3. The rise was due to a 2-in. rainfall in the tributary Cheyenne River basin upstream.

The contractor's earthmoving fleet included two 12-cu yd shovels and one 14-cu yd dragline for excavating shale. Fourteen 29-cu yd bottom-dump and twenty-three 38-cu yd end-dump trucks hauled the shale about two miles from the excavation source to the channel block. Four D-9 dozers worked at the channel block pushing shale over the bank. Across the gap four other D-9 dozers waited with engines idling, to shove the stockpiled shale overbank to control any bank erosion that might develop.

At the start the equipment dumped along the full 900-ft length, continuing until 7:00 p.m. After that dumping was confined to the upstream 600 ft.

Cutting of the left bank was minor until about noon, when it began to increase. Some of the stockpiled shale on the left bank was dozed into the gap between noon and 1:00 p.m. During this operation the right bank receded slightly even with continued dumping.

As the left bank was cut back, chunks of the shale stockpile tumbled into the river. Therefore the bank was in effect self-healed until velocities again increased. Left-bank cutting varied from 10 to 40 ft along its length during the period when the initial channel block was being constructed. From 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. little gain was made in advancing the right bank into the channel. After that the channel narrowed constantly until dozers from the left and right banks finally bumped each other at 3:35 a.m. on Aug. 3—culminating a 21½-hour battle of men and machines with the Missouri River.

The results of hydraulic measurements and other data obtained during diversion are plotted in Fig. 4. The hump in the closure channel outflow hydrograph and the slow progress in narrowing the width between noon and midnight on Aug. 2 is explained by an increase in inflow during the same period. The rapid decrease in width and closure channel outflow after about 2:00 a.m. on Aug. 3 coincided with a gradual deviation from the original scheme of dumping shale over the entire 600-ft bank line by concentrating dumping at the upstream end. When the river was blocked at 3:35 a.m., the head differential was 11.8 ft and the outflow through the tunnel was only 450 cfs. The curve of accumulated dumped shale appears as a straight line, indicating a reasonably steady dumping rate of about 3,100 cu yd per hr throughout the operation.

Only 2,500 cu yd per hour were required to be placed under the terms of the contract. Some 67,000 cu yd of shale were dumped or dozed from the right bank of the closure channel. In addition, an estimated 24,000 cu yd were eroded from the left bank as the bank line receded an average of 25 ft. About 2,000 cu yd were dozed from the left-bank berm. Of a total of about 93,000 cu yd either placed or eroded into the channel, about 6,000 cu yd were transported out and deposited downstream of the closure channel.

Meanwhile preparations were being made for constructing the upstream diversion dam. By 3:07 a.m. it was evident that the four dozers on the left bank would not be needed at the stockpile so they headed upstream. As soon as the initial channel block was made, the great fleet of trucks joined the dozers to raise the diversion dam as quickly as possible ahead of the rising pool. Just enough shale was dumped on the downstream initial channel block to hold the rising pool until the diversion dam took over at about 10:00 a.m. A ditch was cut through the initial channel block to drain the water trapped in the central dam section.

Shortly after diversion, shale and earth were placed in the upstream part of the dam at a rate of 50,000 cu yd per day. Production was later increased to 100,000 cu yd per day as working space was added, raising the dam to El. 1580 (170 ft above the river). By the end of the 1958 construction season, over 10,000,000 cu yd had been placed in the embankment after the river was blocked on Aug. 3, and the contract was completed about one year ahead of schedule.

Western Contracting Corporation, Sioux City, Iowa, is the contractor for Earthwork Stage VI. Carl "Rip" Collins is project manager for Western. John Sibert, Jr., is Area Engineer at Oahe for the U. S. Army Engineer District, Omaha. J. O. Ackerman, M. ASCE, Chief, Engineering Division, directed planning of the Oahe diversion and closure.

The Missouri River had been narrowed to 125 ft when final closure started on the morning of Aug. 2. Stockpiled material was bulldozed in from the opposite bank to control erosion.

Dumping continued unabated during the night. Soon after this photo was taken, Oahe Dam started to control the flow of the Missouri River.

The six huge intake structures upstream channel water under the control works in the foreground.

Discharge of the controlled Missouri River in the fall of 1958.

Findings on

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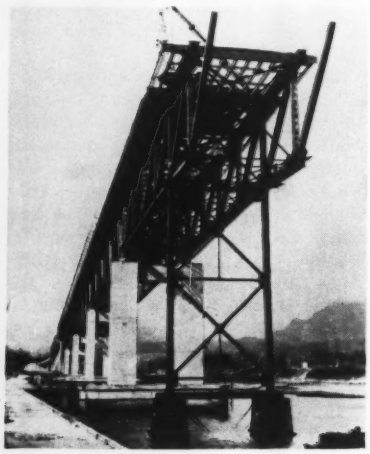
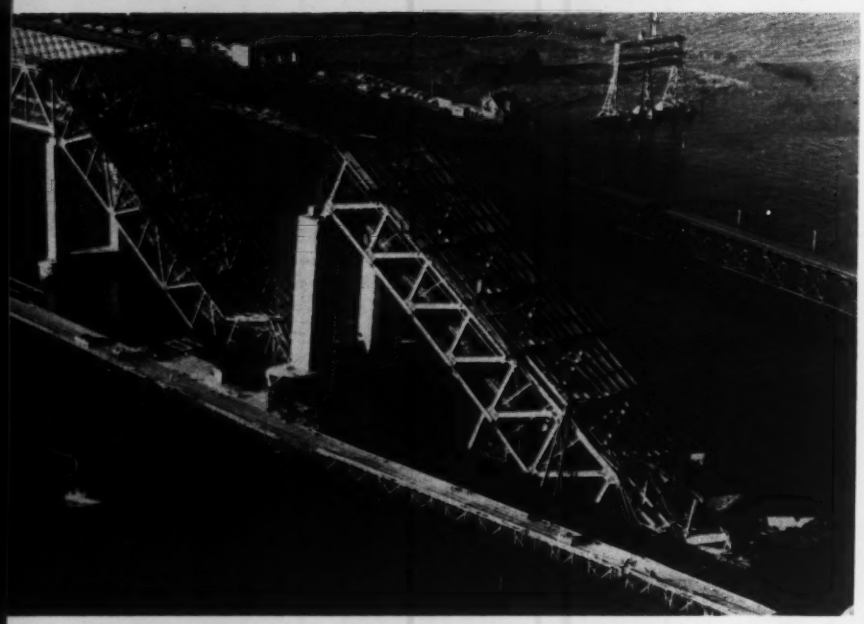
Aerial view taken two days before the collapse of the structure. Erection had advanced only a little beyond that shown. Note the falsework at Panel Point 4 and support for it below Panel Point 8.



Detail of temporary support at Panel Point 4. The transverse grillage, which served also as a cross strut, is blamed for the failure.



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Many workmen and two derricks rode the two spans down. The failure of the grillage and dropping of the tied-down outer span had sufficient force to fracture the pier columns, permitting the pier to move out from under the expansion rocker of the next span.

The pile support for falsework Bent N4 was practically intact after the structure fell. It will be reused to complete erection.

Second Narrows Bridge collapse at Vancouver

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On June 17, 1958, two spans of the $16,000,000 Second Narrows Bridge, a six-lane highway bridge under construction at Vancouver, B. C., collapsed when the grillage beams at the base of a falsework bent supporting the anchor arm suddenly gave way, and the anchor span and an adjacent span fell into Burrard Inlet.

His Honor, Lt. Governor Frank McKenzie Ross, immediately began an inquiry. Acting under the terms of the Public Inquiries Act, on the following day he appointed the Hon. Chief Justice Sherwood Lett of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, as sole Commissioner of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the collapse and any and all circumstances connected with it. The Commissioner appointed John L. Farris, Q. C., as Commission Counsel, assisted by W. J. Wallace, and named Robert Wilson as Secretary of the Commission.

A staff of engineering advisers was appointed consisting of J. R. H. Otter of Rendel, Palmer and Tritton, and Ralph Freeman, M. ASCE, of Freeman, Fox and Partners, both of London, England; Dr. F. M. Masters, M. ASCE, and J. R. Giese, M. ASCE, of Modjeski and Masters, Harrisburg, Pa., and A. B. Sanderson of Victoria, B. C., associate and western representative of the late Dr. P. L. Pratley of Montreal, Quebec.

Special investigations and tests of materials were made by Professors Alexander Hrennikoff, M. ASCE, and W. M. Armstrong of the University of British Columbia, G. S. Eldridge and Company, materials testing firm of Vancouver, B. C., and Robert N. McLellan, also of Vancouver.

Eye witness testimony was taken in Vancouver from July 21 through July 23. Technical reports and evidence were heard during the period September 30 through October 16, the date on which summations were presented by Counsel. The Report of the Royal Commission was presented to His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by the 1st of December 1958.

The Second Narrows Bridge is being constructed by the British Columbia Toll Highways and Bridges Authority, acting through the Provincial Department of Highways, with Swan, Wooster and Partners, Vancouver, as the designing and supervising engineers.

The substructure was constructed by Peter Kiewit Sons Co., Ltd., and Raymond International Company, Ltd., as a joint venture, and the superstructure contract is held by the Dominion Bridge Company, Ltd., who are engaged in salvaging the wreckage and in refabricating and reerecting the structure.

At the time of the accident, erection of the north approach had been completed, consisting of four simple steel-deck-truss spans each 276 ft 4 in. long. Also nearly eight panels had been erected of the 10-panel north anchor span (a 465-ft steel deck truss) for the 1,100 ft channel span. See Fig. 1. A 465-ft South anchor arm connects with high bluffs overlooking Burrard Inlet.

The anchor span was supported by an anchor pier at its north end and by a falsework bent at the fourth panel point. Cantilever erection was to proceed to Panel Point 8, where the truss was to have landed on a similar falsework bent. From this point, the last two panels to complete the anchor arm at the north main pier were to have been erected.

At the time of the accident, the weight of the anchor arm and the erection equipment was concentrated on the falsework bent at the fourth panel. This bent consisted of two box-section columns seated on a double-tier, steel-beam grillage which in turn was supported by concrete-filled pipe piles driven firmly into the harbor bottom.

The report of the Commission's Engineering Advisers concluded that the collapse was due to the instability of the webs of the stringer beams serving as the upper tier of the falsework grillage supporting the anchor span at its fourth panel point, accentuated by plywood packings above and below these beams. The instability was due to the omission of stiffeners and effective diaphragming in the grillage, and this in turn was basically due to an error in the calculations. Such diaphragming as was provided was inadequate. The plywood used as "soft" packing above and below the upper tier of grillage beams of false bent N4 was a contributory cause of the failure of the grillage solely because of the absence of stiffeners and effective diaphragming in the upper tier of the grillage.

The error in the calculations consisted of using 1 in. instead of 0.653 in. as the web thickness and also using the entire area of the beams for the calculation of shear strength, whereas only the web area should have been considered as effective.

Investigations by the fabricating and erecting company led to similar conclusions. No evidence was presented from which it could be concluded that failure of any item other than the stringers comprising the upper tier of grillage in bent N4 initiated or contributed to the collapse of the bridge.

The buckling and collapse of the grillage beams induced a large eccentric moment in the columns, which in turn failed. Since this truss was firmly held at the anchor pier, the falling truss pulled the pier southward, rupturing it at the base of its shafts. The move-

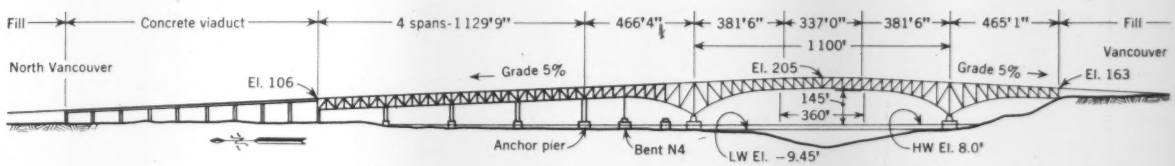

FIG. 1. Heavy lines show the portion of the structure in place at the time of the collapse, with the falsework bents at Panel Points 4 and 8.

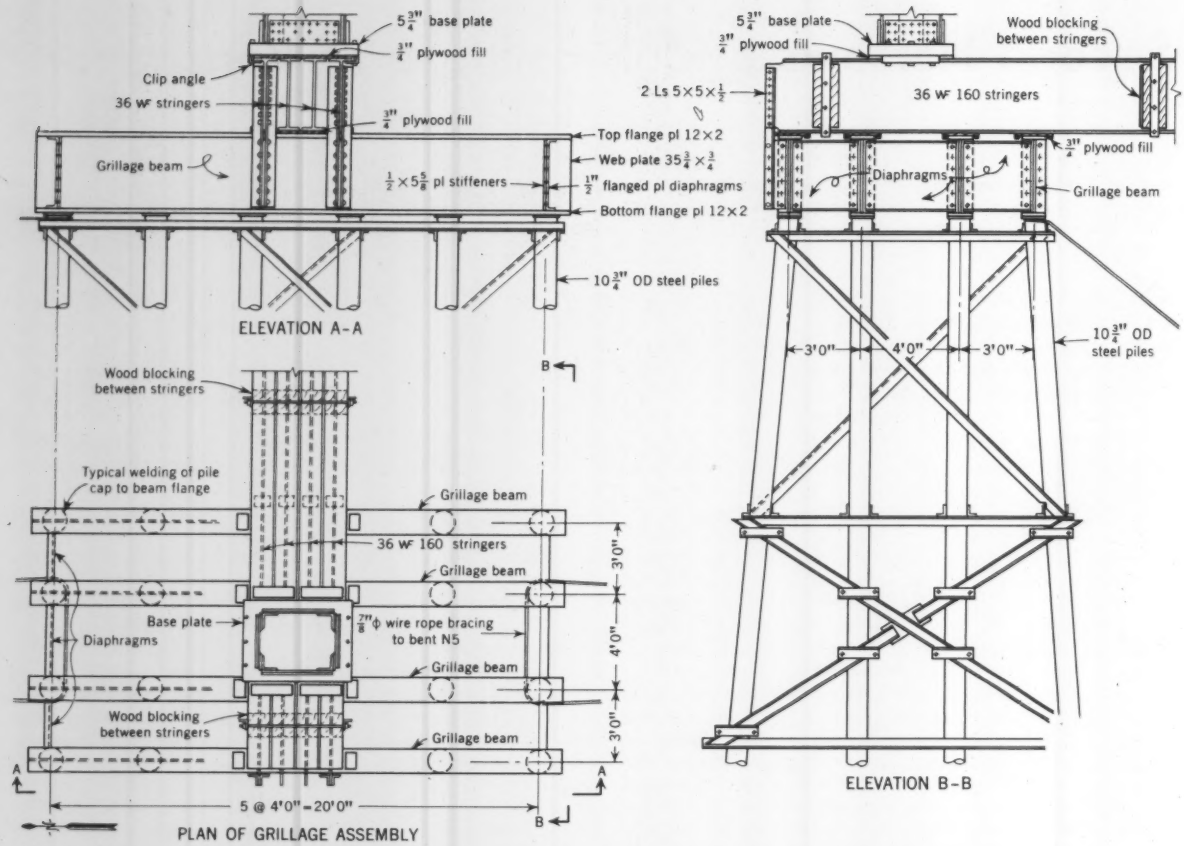

FIG. 2. Details of the grillage believed by the investigators to have been the cause of the failure. The upper grillage had only timber stiffeners, widely spaced.

ment was sufficient to pull the pier from beneath the bearings of the adjacent simple truss span, which in turn fell into the water and also was wrecked.

The findings of Chief Justice Lett, as set forth in the Report, with respect to the fabrication and erection contractor, Dominion Bridge Company Ltd., were as follows:

"The Bridge Company's contract specification included this clause:

'2-2-3. Falsework. The Contractor shall furnish, construct and subsequently remove all falsework required for the erection of the steelwork. Falsework shall be properly designed and substantially constructed and maintained for the loads which will come upon it. The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer, plans showing the falsework he proposes to use to enable the Engineer to satisfy himself that the falsework proposed to be used complies with the requirements of this Specification. Approval of the Contractor's plans shall not be considered as relieving the Contractor of any responsibility. . . .'

"It will be noted that this clause contains two contractural obligations of the Bridge Company to the Authority, namely, to design properly and substantially construct the falsework, and to submit plans to the Engineers. . . .

"Accordingly, upon the evidence, my answer to this further question is that the collapse was caused by and was the result of negligence which consisted in:

"(*a*) failing properly to design and substantially to construct false bent N4 for the loads which would come upon it as requried by Clause 2-2-3 of the contract specification; and

"(*b*) failing to submit to the Engineers plans showing the falsework the Contractor proposed to use in the erection of span 5 as required by Clause 2-2-3; and

"(*c*) leaving the design of the upper grillage of false bent N4 to a comparatively inexperienced engineer, and failing to provide for adequate or effective checking of the design and the calculations made in connection with the design.

"For this negligence, I find the Dominion Bridge Company Limited responsible."

With respect to the Consulting Engineers, Swan, Wooster and Partners, the Report states:

"The specifications were drawn by the Engineers' firm and the Engineers accordingly must be presumed to have had full knowledge of Clause 2-2-3. . . .

"From the evidence, it is apparent that the Engineers [in not requesting the contractor to submit detailed plans of the falsework to them] were acting in accordance with a practice which existed in British Columbia, in so far as the Dominion Bridge Company was concerned, for a long period of years, and apparently down to 1954, when a clause similar to Clause 2-2-3 was for the first time included in the specifications of the Agassiz-Rosedale Bridge.

"It is clear from the evidence before me that had the Engineers called for plans showing the falsework which the Contractor proposed to use, in sufficient detail to enable the Engineers to satisfy themselves as to compliance

with the requirements of the specification the inadequacy of the upper grillage probably would have been discovered and the collapse avoided.

"The question is, was there in the circumstances here existing, an obligation on the Engineers to require the Contractor to submit plans of the falsework?

"There are three circumstances here which must be taken into consideration, the wording of the letter of May 17th, 1956 [the only written contract between the Bridge Authority and the Engineers], Clause 2-2-3 of the specification, and the ordinary professional relationship and duty of a consulting engineer to his client.

"In these circumstances, there was here, in my view, an obligation on the Engineers to satisfy themselves that the falsework proposed to be used complied with the requirements of the specifications, namely, that the falsework should be properly designed and substantially constructed for the loads which would come upon it. The Toll Authority's contract specifications had provided that the Contractor must submit plans of the falsework to the Engineers to enable them to satisfy themselves that the falsework complied with the requirements of the specification. The Engineers knew this. They must be taken to have known that the Toll Authority was relying on the Engineers to check the plans of the falsework. When the Contractor failed to submit these plans, it was the duty of the Engineers to their client, to require from the Contractor their production. This duty the Engineers failed to perform. In view of their long and successful association with the Contractor, this failure is understandable, but it cannot be overlooked. Accordingly, I must find there was a lack of care on the part of the Engineers in not requiring the Contractor to submit plans of the falsework.

"The evidence disclosed that it is the practice of those outstanding firms in the United Kingdom and the United States represented by the Commission's Advisers, Dr. Masters and Messrs. Giese, Otter and Freeman, to examine all falsework plans of any contractor, and to require submission of such plans, including the design, proposed method of erection, and in the case of some firms, to require calculation sheets or briefs used in the design. These witnesses made it clear that they were not testifying that this was the generally accepted practice of consulting engineers in their respective jurisdictions, but limited their evidence to the practice of their own particular firms. They indicated that by their practice they did not intend to relieve the contractor of his responsibility for the adequacy of the falsework."

Chief Justice Lett further recommended:

"Beyond saying that a Consulting Engineer must exercise all reasonable skill, care and diligence in the discharge of his duties, it is neither desirable nor practicable to lay down the precise boundaries within which such qualities should be exercised.

"However, evidence adduced in this Inquiry does seem to indicate that, in bridge construction work, and especially in the construction of long span or exceptionally large bridges, some Consulting Engineers recommend (either by reference to the appropriate national standard specification or in detail) the stresses to be used in the design of temporary works; and that the erection contractor shall submit to the engineer full particulars of the erection procedures and details of design of the temporary works which the contractor proposes to adopt, to enable the engineer to examine those procedures and details. The engineer performs that examination to the extent which he judges advisable in the circumstances. The contractor should not use the proposed temporary works in erection until the engineer has signified that he has completed his examination and that he has no objection to the contractor's proposals.

"Appropriate reservations could be made to ensure that the engineer does not in any sense assume or relieve the contractor of the contractual and financial responsibility for the adequacy of the contractor's proposed procedures and temporary works, whilst the contractor retains full freedom of choice of erection methods and procedure. The examination by the engineer nevertheless constitutes an additional means of discovering any latent engineering design or computation errors which may have escaped the notice of the contractor's own checking arrangements.

"In so far as the prevailing practice in British Columbia does not conform to the practice outlined above (and I make no finding upon the evidence adduced that it does not), it would seem to me that the adoption of such a practice in the contruction of large bridges in the Province would safeguard the interests of the public and of erection crews to the greatest practicable extent against the inherent and ever-present dangers of human error, and I recommend that if Your Honor sees fit, this matter might be brought to the attention of the Professional Engineers in the Province for consideration.

"I further recommend that this practice be adopted in relation to the remaining construction of the Second Narrows Bridge. The examination by the Advisers to the Commission of the detailed plans of the Contractor and Consulting Engineers, of necessity, was confined to the construction up to the point of collapse. They were not asked, and had no opportunity to check into erection methods to be used for completing the central span. There is then no evidence before me as to what checks have been or are being made in respect to the remaining construction.

"In the light of what has happened, I recommend to the Authority that it require the Consulting Engineers to demand of the Contractors all their proposed plans . . . for the erection of the remainder of the work to enable the Engineers to examine those procedures and details. . . .The Contractor should not use any temporary works in erection until the Engineers have signified that they have completed their examination and have no objection to the Contractor's proposals."

Erection continues by planned method

OFFICIALS of Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd., have told the editors of CIVIL ENGINEERING that erection of the Second Narrows Bridge at Vancouver will be completed following substantially the planned method of erection. The fallen spans have been disassembled and reusable members salvaged. Replacement parts are in process of fabrication. The damaged anchor-pier columns are being replaced.

Erection has shifted to the other end of the cantilever span. The south anchor arm is being erected over falsework bents. Derricks operating on the structure will handle the complete erection of the cantilever span, working from each end to meet at the center.

The pile bent at N4, where failure of the grillage is believed to have initiated the collapse, suffered only very minor local damage and will be reused with little repair. The pile bent under Panel Point 8, not then in use, was damaged by falling steel; it will be rebuilt and used as planned. No falsework is contemplated for the 1,100-ft channel span.

The collapse was due to an error in a routine design calculation for a grillage. The computations were made by one engineer and checked, as is standard practice, by another engineer, the latter with 21 years' experience with the erection contractor. This illustrates the ever present risks that are inherent in construction, due to human error. The failure emphasizes the need for utilization of all possible checks on construction procedures. EDITOR.

Hydrographic surveying from a helicopter

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The waste disposal system for the Georgia-Pacific kraft paper mill at Toledo, Oreg., includes an 8½-mile pipeline which carries the strong waste from the mill to the ocean at Newport, Oreg. The pipeline was designed by Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield, consulting engineers, of Corvallis, Oreg. Its discharge extends into the ocean approximately 1,000 ft at high tide; at extreme low tide the end of the pipeline is exposed. The discharge point was originally chosen at the location the farthest from shore that could be reached by the use of dry-land construction methods at low tide. The method used was to cut a trench through the rock reefs and backfill the pipeline with concrete to anchor it in position.

To help reduce odors and foam, extension of the pipeline into deeper water was recently investigated, and to properly analyze the economics involved, topographic information on the reefs was considered essential. As can be seen from the photographs, the beaches are lined with rock reefs which make travel in boats extremely dangerous. The employment of skin divers wearing protective clothing was considered but later abandoned because of the heavy surfs that continually pound against the barnacle-covered rocks. The use of a helicopter was finally decided on.

On the morning of May 6, 1958, at 8:25 a.m., a — 1.4-ft tide (M.L.L.W.) occurred. On the preceding day arrangements were made with the Livingston Air Service of Corvallis, Oreg., to utilize their three-place helicopter in conjunction with a ground survey crew to establish elevations of reefs and holes beyond the end of the pipeline. The ground survey crew consisted of two transitmen and one levelman to establish the locations of the soundings and the elevation of the helicopter during the operation.

A level placed on a high rock was used to locate the helicopter on a level plane during each sounding. As the helicopter approached the location of the sounding point, a yellow flag was waved from the helicopter to inform the levelman that a sounding was about to be made. The levelman then signaled back to the helicopter that it should either rise or drop lower to get on the level plane. When the helicopter was on the level plane, the sounding was taken with a metallic-cloth tape carrying a 5-lb lead weight, and a signal was given to the transitmen to record the angle and time of the sounding.

All soundings and transit shots were coordinated by recording the time of the sounding and the time the angles were read. The two transits on the beach were set on a base line 767 ft long. By triangulation of the two transit shots, the position of each sounding was found.

To simplify the plotting of the sounding locations, each group of soundings was made along a straight line established by flags on the beach. This provided a check in locating the sounding points.

About 50 soundings were taken in a two-hour period in the area of the proposed pipeline extension. Of these, about 60 percent were considered accurate and were used to plot the topography of the reefs. The levelman indicated that the helicopter was on the correct elevation when it varied within a foot of the level plane. The majority of the soundings were considered accurate within 2 ft, which was satisfactory for the type of information desired.

After the elevations were plotted, they were transferred to a vertical aerial photo taken during a low tide. By observing the reefs and noting the elevations of their tops and the adjacent holes, it was evident that there was only one practical location for the pipeline extension. Study of additional aerial photos taken during the soundings helped to verify this location.

In view below, helicopter moves out to sounding area while transitman at left center and levelman on rock at right wait to take shots. Levelman will signal helicopter to rise or drop lower to get on level plane. In view at right, helicopter drops metallic-cloth tape carrying 5-lb lead weight. At the same time it signals transitmen to record time and angle.

Finding bearing of a 24-in pile by a load on a 16-in pile

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A load-testing problem for piles of 24-in. diameter cast in drilled holes arose when the use of such piles for a viaduct was considered by the California Division of Highways. The desired ultimate load of 200 tons was greater than could be applied by the load-test trusses possessed by the state at the time. A method was devised to determine the bearing by extrapolation from tests on a smaller model pile of 16-in. diameter to a maximum load of 150 tons by the reaction method. The method, described below, is a special application but a similar approach could be used for other pile sizes and loads.

Both the 16-in. and the 24-in. piles are cast in drilled holes and are of constant diameter, but they are not geometrically similar since the ratio of the end areas is different from the ratio of the perimeter areas. The 16-in. test pile and two adjacent anchor piles must extend to the same depth as the 24-in. pile so that the unit end bearing and the average unit perimeter shear will be the same. The load is applied to the center or test pile by a load-test beam or truss utilizing the two anchor piles for reaction. The notation is as follows:

B = ultimate or total bearing as determined by load test

E = end bearing

P = perimeter shear or skin friction (determined by load test if one of the anchor piles fails)

PERIMETER AREA

16-in. pile = 4.2 ft² per ft
24-in. pile = 6.29 ft² per ft

END AREA

16-in. pile = 1.4 ft²
24-in. pile = 3.14 ft²

$$B_{16} = E_{16} + P_{16}$$

$$B_{24} = \frac{3.14}{1.4} E_{16} + \frac{6.29}{4.2} P_{16}$$

$$B_{24} = 2.24\ E_{16} + 1.5\ P_{16}$$

Assume $B_{24} = 200$ tons, since this is the desired load, and reduce to

$$133 = 1.5\ E_{16} + P_{16}$$

A graph of this equation is shown in Fig. 1. All points above the line indicate an ultimate bearing strength in excess of 200 tons. The problem is to determine the coordinates of the test.

Suppose the test pile supports 150 tons (the assumed maximum capacity of the test equipment) without pulling an anchor, then $B_{24} = 1.5 \times 150 = 225$, even assuming all bearing to be skin friction, and a higher bearing if a portion of it is end bearing (since the ratio of E_{24} to E_{16} is 2.24, which is higher than 1.5).

For the worst case, that of perimeter shear bearing only, the 24-in. pile will definitely be good for 200 tons only if the 16-in. pile is good for at least 133 tons (see Fig. 1). However, if a pile fails at less than 133 tons without pulling an anchor, the problem will be indeterminate. For example, if failure occurs at 130 tons, without pulling an anchor pile, we know that P_{16} may vary from 65 to 130, while correspondingly, E_{16} may vary from 65 to zero. Other cases will describe parallel lines in the indeterminate range, the upper limit of which is 133 tons as described above.

The best case at the lower limit is where the bearing is all end bearing and a load of approximately 90 tons (upper intercept of the line equation) might result in a load capacity of 200 tons on a 24-in. pile. This load could not be applied by the reaction method because the anchor piles would not hold. However, piles cast in drilled holes are seldom end bearing and rarely pull out when used as anchor piles. Assuming that the anchor does not pull out, the best case possible is where $E_{16} = P_{16}$ (or approaches it). The intersection of the line representing $P_{16} = E_{16}$ intersects the line representing $133 = 1.5\ E_{16} + P_{16}$ at $E_{16} = 53.2$, and $P_{16} = 53.2$. This is a total load bearing of 106.4 tons, which is the lower limit of the indeterminate range, below which failure is positive.

For cases in the indeterminate range, an estimate of P_{16} or E_{16} must be made. For the example plotted in Fig. 1, where the total capacity is 130 tons, it is obvious that only 5 tons of end bearing is required to make the pile good. Failure at lower test loads may be more doubtful and may require:

1. Reduction of the anchor-pile diameter so that P_{16} can be determined. P_{16} can be extrapolated from the pulling deflection curve without actual failure, so that a high load can still be applied to the test pile.
2. A separate pulling test by pulling on the center pile and jacking at the ends of the load-test beam or truss.
3. Estimation of E_{16} by $E_{16} = 0.6\ N$, where N is the number of blows required to drive a standard penetration sampler one foot in the material under the pile tip.

If there is a tendency to drill the holes oversize, a correction based on the actual diameter should be used, since the bearing of the larger pile would not be increased at the same rate.

This general method of model analysis can be applied to consant-diameter piles of other sizes.

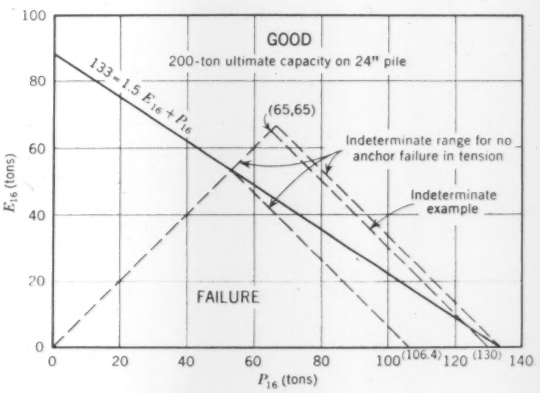

Fig. 1. For worst case, that of perimeter shear bearing only, the 24-in. pile will be good for 200 tons only if the 16-in. pile is good for at least 133 tons.

Proportioning a mix of three soils by graph

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MIXING two or more types of soil of known grain-size characteristics to meet certain specifications is a problem that many a builder or contractor often faces. If two available soils will satisfy the specifications, several methods, analytical and graphical, are known for solving the problem of proportioning.

If, however, three soils have to be mixed, the problem becomes more complex. The usual method in such a case is to choose first a blend of two of the soils by trial and error, and then to compute the necessary proportions of this blend with the third soil. This method, while useful in arriving at a satisfactory mix, will often allow the builder only a small range of possible proportions.

Frequently, however, it may be very convenient and economical to find the full range of all possible mixes that will comply with the specifications, especially where the several soils are available at different costs or in different quantities. A direct solution for such proportioning of three soils is here presented.

For the example demonstrated by the graph, Fig. 1, the sieve analyses of three soils (A, B and C) and the specifications are given in Table I. To trace the range lines limiting the soil proportions, the following procedure is used. The lines are plotted from the computed proportions shown in Table II. For the specified limit of 70 percent passing the ⅜-in. sieve, for example, just two mixes of the soils, resulting in 70 percent passing that sieve, are needed. Since soil A has 12 percent, soil B, 90 percent, and soil C, 100 percent passing the sieve, the two simplest possible mixes are, by straight interpolation:

(1) Zero % of B; $\frac{100-70}{100-12}$ = 31.4% of A; and 65.9% of C.

(2) Zero % of C; $\frac{90-70}{90-12}$ = 25.7% of A; and 74.3% of B.

These two sets of points for soils A, B, and C can now be plotted on the triaxial graph and connected by a straight line. Every point on this line will represent a mix with 70 percent passing the ⅜-in. sieve, which will be proved at the end of this article.

By the same procedure two lines, which incidentally are parallel, can be plotted for each sieve, representing the specification limits. The area falling inside all these limiting pairs of lines will represent the full range of mixes meeting the specifications.

Suppose that the cost per unit volume is different for soils A, B and C so that, for example, A costs $10; B, $12; and C, $20. It is now necessary to find the most economical mix. This will be found in one of the corners of the range area, representing in this case as low a percentage as possible of the expensive soil C and as high a percentage as possible of the cheap soil A.

Computing the cost per unit volume of the mixes shown in the three corners representing the lowest percentage of soil C, it will be found that the mix made up of 26 percent of A, 41.8 per-

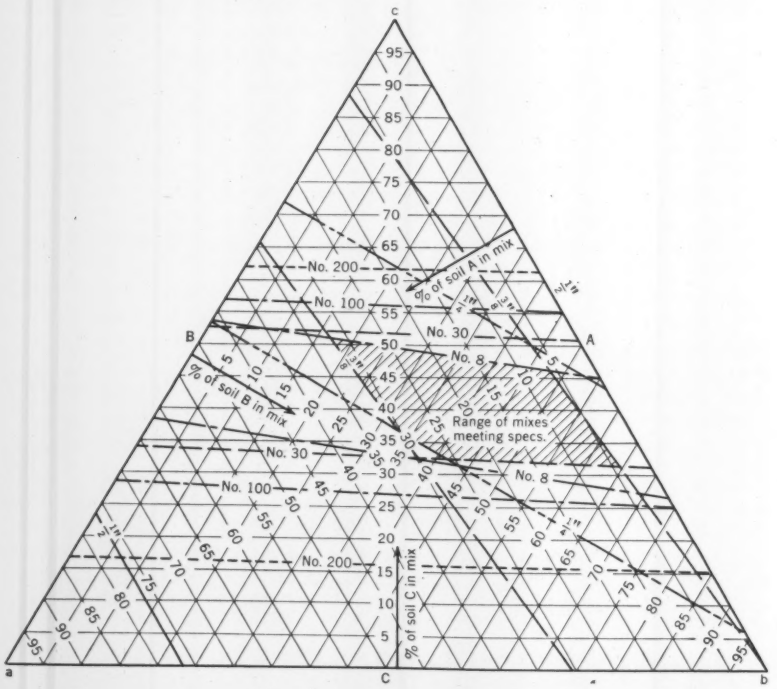
TABLE I. Grain-size analysis

Sieve Size	Percentage Passing			
	Specs.	Soil A	Soil B	Soil C
½ in.	80-100	74	100	100
⅜ in.	70-90	12	90	100
¼ in.	55-73	3	52	100
No. 8	40-55	2.5	18	100
No. 30	20-30	2	4	55
No. 100	10-18	2	3.2	30
No. 200	4-10	1.8	2	15

TABLE II. Proportions

Sieve Size	Spec. Limits, % Passing	% of Soils		
		Soil A	Soil B	Soil C
½ in.		76.9	0	23.1
	80	76.9	23.1	0
	100	0	any	%
⅜ in		25.7	74.3	0
	70	34.1	0	65.9
	90	0	100	0
		11.4	0	88.6
¼ in.		46.5	0	53.5
	55	0	94.4	6.0
	73	27.8	0	72.2
		0	56.3	43.7
No. 8		61.6	0	38.4
	40	0	73.1	26.9
	55	46.1	0	53.9
		0	55.0	45.0
No. 30		66.0	0	34.0
	20	0	68.8	31.2
	30	47.2	0	52.8
		0	49.0	51.0
No. 100		71.5	0	28.5
	10	0	74.8	25.2
	18	43.0	0	57.0
		0	44.8	55.2
No. 200		83.3	0	16.7
	4	0	84.8	15.2
	10	37.8	0	62.2
		0	38.5	61.5

FIG. 1. Graph determines full range of possible proportions of three soils of known grain sizes, to meet specifications as given in Table I. Lines are plotted from the computed proportions shown in Table II.



cent of B, and 32.2 percent of C, at a cost of $14.05, is the cheapest obtainable that will still meet the specifications.

Graphically, an "iso-cost" line could be drawn between the two sets of points, as for example, A = 0 %, B = 100 %, C = 0 %, and A = 80 %, B = 0 %, C = 20 %—an easily established line of constant cost at $12 per unit volume. Since all "iso-cost" lines are parallel to each other, the cheapest mix can be found by sliding a straight-edge up parallel to this $12 line until we find the first and "cheapest" corner.

The proof that all mixes resulting in a certain percentage passing a certain sieve are represented by points in a straight line is as follows.

Suppose that x % of a soil A (with a % passing sieve S), plus y % of a soil B (with b % passing sieve S), plus z % of a soil C (with c % passing sieve S), as well as x' percent of soil A plus y' percent of soil B plus z' percent of soil C, will make mixes with the desired d percent passing sieve S. These two sets of proportions would be plotted as two points and connected by a straight line as explained previously. Then $xa + yb + zc = x'a + y'b + z'c = 100$ percent of d.

For any point on this line,

$[x + n(x' - x)]\ a + [y + n(y' - y)]\ b + [z + n(z' - z)]\ c = xa + yb + zc + n(x'a + y'b + z'c) - n(xa + yb + zc) = (100\%$ of $d) + n\ (100\%$ of $d) - n\ (100\%$ of $d) = 100\%$ of d.

THE READERS WRITE

Trusses designed to save material are not new

To the Editor: The presentation by Mr. P. H. Cheng in your November issue, vol. p. 838, is helpful in encouraging a general discussion of truss analysis. However, neither the idea nor the use of such structures is at all new. It is simply a restatement of the basic principle that every chord member of a truss has both direct and bending stresses, and that the bending stresses are of greatest importance in those chord members which also act as roof or floor beams or trusses.

On October 3, 1882, a patent was granted to P. H. Jackson for calling attention to the use of joint eccentricities in order to reduce the stress in the individual segments. Mr. Cheng's Figs. 4 and 5 are quite similar to some of the drawings used to illustrate the patent.

Many patents have been issued for various specific applications of this principle since Mr. Jackson's 1882 patent. The undersigned hold patents which successfully apply this principle to the timber "Mack" trusses manufactured by Vo-Vec Roof Structures and widely used in Southern California. Cost savings of 5 to 15 percent are achieved. Fewer panels and web members are required, and moments can be carried across the joints in a segmented truss to give it some of the economical properties of a truss with continuous chords.

We have other patents that apply similar principles to the design and construction of steel trusses of various sizes. These have proved very economical. Because the joints are designed in a balanced fashion to be free from rotation, the trusses are almost without secondary stresses and the distortion they produce.

The accompanying photo shows these principles applied to a reinforced concrete structure which we designed in 1957. Both three- and four-bay trusses were used. (Mr. Cheng's Figs. 1 and 2 are quite similar.) The upper chords of these trusses, formed by dropped panels in the floor, resist a large compressive force since the trusses are shallow.

For bending and compression in the concrete beam, the principles of design are not at all new, but because compressive stresses were high it was helpful to use the methods of analysis now commonly used in prestressed concrete. It was of interest to note that by the use of the truss structure shown in the photos, clear spans of 45 ft were obtained in a five-story office building and the center row of columns thus eliminated. The cost for the clear-span structure was estimated to be the same as that for conventional construction with columns 22½ ft on centers.

Three-bay truss (top) and four-bay truss (bottom) were used in office building in Beverly Hills, Calif. Engineers were Mackintosh & Mackintosh; architect, Sidney Eisenshtat; and contractor, S. Jon Kreedman & Co.

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Economy of aluminum for long-span roofs

To the Editor: A careful examination of my article, "Aluminum Roof Proves Economical—for Transportation Pavilion at Brussels World Fair," in the Oct. 1958 issue, vol. p. 729, reveals two errors, no doubt typographical, that did not occur in the French text.

On vol. p. 732, first column, the 24th line should read:

"W' must equal αW, instead of "W' must equal W."

Equation 2 that follows is correct.

The second error occurs on the same page, second column, in Eq. 4, which should read:

$$k \leq \frac{\beta\gamma - \rho}{\rho - \beta} \text{ instead of } k \leq \frac{\beta\gamma - \rho}{\rho + \beta}$$

These corrections answer the first point raised by Mr. Preece in his discussion, in the December issue (vol. p. 936), of my article.

Mr. Preece is astonished by the simplicity of my theory and especially by the fact that my formula contains no terms for such properties as modulus of elasticity, depth to span ratio, etc. My

theory assumes, of course, that in the two cases each of the materials compared can work at its own safe tension. Obviously the deformations will not be the same in both cases and the theory is applicable only if the maximum deformation of the aluminum member is acceptable. I refer to this subject in my article, vol. p. 733, col. 1, paragraphs 2 and 3. Moreover, the comparison is between two structures of the same shape, type, and dimensions; the height and the span are thus also the same.

I am aware that Eq. 4 and the graphs based on it do not solve all the problems of the design. They are intended only to aid the designer when he wants to find out, at the beginning of his work, in a minimum of time and merely as a first approximation, whether a solution in aluminum will be economically feasible. From this point of view I believe that the simplicity of Eq. 4 is not a fault and that it can be of service to the engineer who is thinking of making a study of an aluminum frame.

I cannot agree with the statement of Mr. Preece that, "Furthermore, aluminum and steel tension members will probably be of equal weight if the capacity is limited by allowable strain."

Actually the safe tension of aluminum is around 0.83 times that of steel, while the specific weight of aluminum is only 0.344 times that of steel. Thus the aluminum member will certainly be lighter than the steel member.

I sincerely appreciate Mr. Preece's careful study of my article and also his words of praise for the Transportation Pavilion.

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Plug-in formulas not generally desirable

TO THE EDITOR: With reference to the article in the November issue, vol. p. 856, by John F. Tanner, "Traverse Closure as a Mathematical Method," I would like to make the following points:

1. The problem as presented by Mr. Tanner is neither difficult nor unusual and can be solved in about five steps. The information needed for closure can be easily obtained by first solving the right triangle AC'C for the distance and bearing of a line drawn from point A to point C and then solving triangle ABC for the bearing of side BC and the distance of side AB by the law of sines.

2. It is admitted that the two equations developed by Mr. Tanner could be used for direct solution of any closure of this nature, but it should be pointed out that traverses can take many shapes and the use of plug-in formulas is not generally a desirable practice, except in special cases.

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Objection raised to new definition of engineering

TO THE EDITOR: I disagree with the new definition of engineering proposed by the Engineers Council for Professional Development and endorsed by the ASCE Board of Direction at its meeting in Chicago, February 24-25, 1958. This definition appears in ASCE's Annual Report for 1958, on p. 11. It reads:

"Engineering is a profession in which a knowledge of the mathematical and physical sciences gained by study, experience and practice is applied with judgment to develop ways to utilize, economically, the materials and forces of Nature for the progressive well-being of mankind."

My objection centers around the error in identity that occurs when engineering is equated with profession, as defined above. Engineering is a universal art; a profession is a matter of personal conduct.

The facts show that engineering is a difficult art, similar in some respects to the arts of religion, politics, medicine, and law.

Some men dedicate themselves to the study and practice of engineering as a profession. Others use engineering merely as a tool in trade. The conduct of the practitioner in engineering, religion, and medicine is not controlled by the art. Each is free to use his art according to his lights. The practice of engineering is not monopolized by engineers. In this respect it differs from the practice of law. However, who shall presume to say what is right conduct? God bless the freedom of the U.S.A.

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Simplified deflection calculations presented

TO THE EDITOR: Mr. Heinz is to be commended for having emphasized the usefulness of the virtual work method for the computation of deflections, in his article, "Simplified Deflection Calculations by Virtual Work," in the November 1958 issue, vol. p. 853.

However, the algebraic work can be shortened substantially. The force "1" in his Fig. 3 can be applied to a statically determinate system of that frame. Then the moments caused by this force and the indeterminate forces would furnish, by superposition, the stresses shown as "m moments" in Fig. 3. But since by definition the points of application of these indeterminate forces do not deflect or rotate, they do not contribute to the work, $\int M\, m\, ds$.

In the illustrative problem, it is sufficient to apply the force "1" to a statically determinate system as shown in the accompanying Fig. 1. The algebraic computation, using Mr. Heinz's Eq. 4, consists of $EI\delta = \frac{20.0}{3}\left[75.2 + \frac{1}{2}(9.2)\right] 20.0$ $= 10{,}640 \approx 10{,}720$ as computed in the article.

Any statically determinate, stable system of an investigated structure will yield the required result. The one selected should be that which reduces the algebraic work to a minimum. Also, the M and m moments can be exchanged to simplify the computation if the moments due to the actual loads are not known and/or not required.

Deflection due to other than direct loads can also be easily computed. Results for various $\int M\, m\, ds$ will be found in textbooks dealing with the analysis of statically indeterminate structures. For example, in Fig. 2 the frame investigated in Mr. Heinz's article is acted upon by a uniform horizontal loading. The deflection is

$$\delta_2 = \frac{1}{EI}\frac{20.0}{3}\underbrace{(180.0 + \tfrac{1}{2}\,67.6}_{\text{trapezoid } abcd}$$

$$\underbrace{-\tfrac{1}{2}\,100.0}_{\text{triangle } ace}\ \underbrace{-\ 25.0)}_{\text{parabola } aef}\ 20.0 =$$

$$\frac{1}{EI}\,18{,}540.$$

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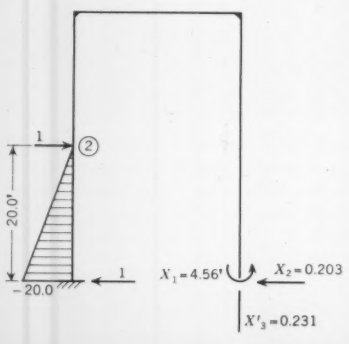
FIG. 1



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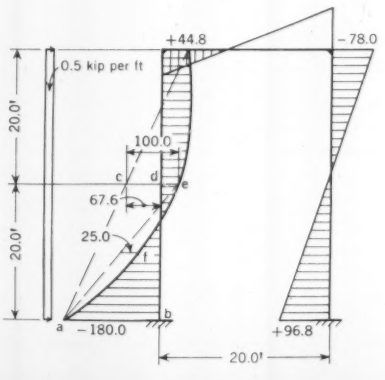

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SOCIETY NEWS

Progress Toward A United Engineering Center

A year-end report of problems encountered and progress made in the campaign for funds for the new United Engineering Center has been released by C. E. Davies, director of the project. By the time this reaches members in February, says Mr. Davies, "there will doubtless be more progress and new, if not fewer, problems. Right now, at the close of 1958, there is a healthy balance of progress and problems—the kind of balance that always stimulates and challenges engineers."

Under the head of "progress," he points out that "In a little over a year, the United Engineering Trustees and their Real Estate Committee have secured what the experts call the best site in New York, on the west side of United Nations Plaza between East 47th and East 48th Streets. This site was assembled after negotiating purchases of a variety of small properties from six different, and some difficult, owners. The last of the tenants have moved, demolition of the buildings is complete, and the site was cleared early in January. The general contractor should be selected in February. Shortly after the funds are in hand, ground breaking could take place, and if all goes well, the building can be completed by early 1961. The "if-all-goes-well" is a part of the problem to be discussed shortly.

"The architects, Shreve, Lamb, and Harmon Associates, have completed preliminary plans and called for bids on the general contract. Only a courageous architect would undertake a building for a group of engineers. In this case, courage is reinforced by experience. This firm has for many years been consulting architects to United Engineering Trustees on alterations and plans for renovation and replacement of the present building on 39th Street. Many details are yet to be settled, but the basic plan is agreed upon. There will be a 20-story tower with penthouses rising from a two-story basic structure over a basement. The gross floor area will be 280,000 sq ft. The tower will be approximately 65 by 140 ft. The basement and two large floors housing the library, cafeteria, and central services will occupy the United Nations Plaza block front to a depth of 225 ft on 48th Street and 150 ft on 47th Street. Present plans call for a 13-story wing to provide for expansion when needed about fifteen years from now.

About "problems," Mr. Davies has this to say in part: "It isn't right to put the matter of finances entirely under the head of 'problems.' More than half of this story belongs under 'progress.' Of the $8 million needed, $5.5 million have been given in cash or pledged by the end of December 1958. Two hundred eighty-four industry gifts totaling $3.85 million have been received. Thirty-two thousand members have given $1.65 million. Seventeen and seven tenths percent of the Founder Society members have given 55 percent of the member-gifts quota. More than 40 local sections of the Founder Societies have met and exceeded their quotas. That's progress.

"The only real problem is how to put clearly before every member of the Founder Societies the importance and urgency of this project. Every local section that has made a personal appeal to every member has exceeded its quota. There is every reason to be sure that the job can be done as it should be—on a

One heartening phase of the campaign for funds is the interest shown by the Society's Student Chapters—symbolic of the close bonds linking engineering students and practicing engineers. In this view John R. Olds (left), president of ASCE Student Chapter at the University of Illinois, presents $50 check to Paul L. Zumwalt (right), president of the Central Illinois Section. Others in the group are Byron E. Marks (second from left), Chapter vice president, and H. O. Sheer, vice president of the Section.

man-to-man basis where the member lives and works.

"The consequences of failure are unthinkable. Over fifty years ago, the original three "Founder Societies," numbering 16,000, less than a tenth of the total membership of the present five, 180,000, raised by member subscriptions over half a million dollars (1907 dollars, that is) to buy the ground and help build the present headquarters on 39th Street. The gift of Andrew Carnegie, $1,050,000, then was of a relative size comparable with what industry is undertaking to do now considering inflation, increased building costs, and wealth of the industry today. It is hard to believe that these fifty years have brought a regression in professional consciousness and pride that would permit a failure in this campaign. We can't settle for less of a building; we can't afford a mortgage; we can't continue to serve our growing membership in our present location.

"Engineering, as an organized profession is facing a test. There is much talk of 'unity;' there is said to be need for a 'survey;' there is talk of 'testing the grass roots.' This campaign for a very modest sum of money will serve very well for all of these purposes. If we can't successfully take this small step toward a simple, tangible goal in unison, we have our answer. That's all the survey we need. Truly, the consequences of failure are unthinkable. So, let's not think any more about them, and get on with the job. We are a little behind schedule, that's all. . . ."

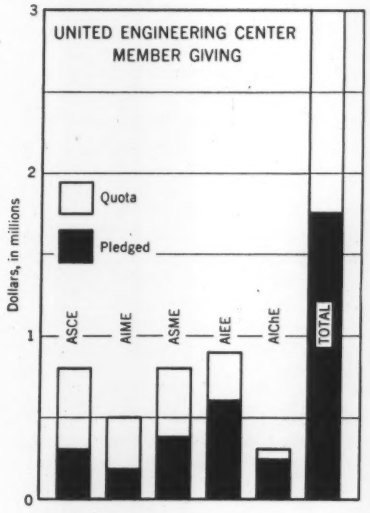

FIG. 1. Member Giving for UEC as of January 9.

UEC HONOR ROLL

Kentucky
Lehigh Valley
Nashville
Cincinnati
Columbia
Philadelphia
Hawaii

Several ASCE Sections have met their full quota of contribution to the United Engineering Center. Due to a change in the method of recording, all contributions have not been tabulated by Sections to verify and make this complete. In order of reporting to Society headquarters, the Sections listed here are on the UEC HONOR ROLL.

Table I. Quotas and Pledges to UEC as of January 16

Society	Goals in Dollars	No. of Subscribers	Amount Pledged	% of Goal	$ per Subscriber
ASCE	800,000	4,624	333,540	42	73
AIME	500,000	2,012	194,287	39	96
ASME	800,000	7,467	395,886	49	53
AIEE	900,000	16,176	629,932	70	39
AIChE	300,000	5,724	252,751	84	44
Others	.....	244	28,784	..	118
Total	*3,000,000	36,247	1,835,144	61	53
Industry	5,000,000	317	3,927,218	78	12,400
Grand Total	8,000,000	36,664	5,762,362	71	

* While the overall goal of member giving is shown as $3,000,000, the quotas accepted by the Societies total $3,300,000.

Fifth Nuclear Congress To Be Held in Cleveland

Details of the 1959 Nuclear Congress, the nation's largest gathering of specialists in the atomic field, have been announced by Engineers Joint Council, the coordinating agency. The five-day program, which will begin at the Public Auditorium in Cleveland on April 5, will include the Fifth Nuclear Engineering and Science Conference, the Seventh Hot Laboratories and Equipment Conference, the Seventh Atomic Energy Management Conference, and an "Atomfair."

The forty technical sessions will be devoted to papers covering advances in reactor technology and the use of radioactive materials, problems of industrial management in the nuclear field, and laboratory problems in radioactive materials. Guest speakers will include specialists from England, France, Italy, and Russia. Russian engineers will describe their power reactor program, including details of a 600,000-kw power plant reported to be under construction in Siberia. Of much interest, also, will be a luncheon meeting address by Sir Claude Gibb, managing director of C. A. Parsons, Ltd., one of England's leading nuclear development firms.

The theme of the congress, which is being sponsored by more than thirty leading engineering, scientific, and management groups is "For Mankind's Progress."

Inquiries about the congress should be addressed to Congress Director T. A. Marshall, Jr., c/o Engineers Joint Council, 29 West 39th St., New York 18, N. Y.

EJC Citations for Promoting Careers in Engineering

Engineers Joint Council has cited the Westinghouse Educational Foundation and the Carnegie Institute of Technology for their pioneer work in encouraging young men and women to seek careers in engineering and science. The citation was presented by President Enoch R. Needles to John A. Hutcheson, president of the Westinghouse Educational Foundation, at a recent meeting of the EJC Board of Directors. In accepting on behalf of the Foundation, which is supported solely by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Dr. Hutcheson outlined a new program in which laboratory equipment is being offered free to all of the nearly 150 accredited electrical engineering departments in colleges and universities.

This year marks the completion of twenty years of George Westinghouse Scholarships at Carnegie Tech. Each year, since 1938, ten four-year scholarships have been awarded to secondary school seniors selected annually from over 1,000 applicants, in nationwide competition.

The citation hails the two groups "for helping to enable brilliant minds to pursue higher education in engineering and science, which otherwise would have been lost to the nation."

Donald D. King Succeeds R. K. Lockwood as Assistant to Secretary of ASCE

Donald D. King, M. ASCE, has been named Assistant to the Secretary of ASCE, in the New York headquarters office. He succeeds **Robert K. Lockwood**, A.M. ASCE, who has resigned to take the position of advertising manager and director of public relations for the Sika Chemical Corporation, Passaic, N. J.

A civil engineering graduate of Iowa State College, Mr. King was a member of the original CIVIL ENGINEERING staff when the publication was initiated in 1930. For the next thirteen years he was assistant editor in charge of art and production for CIVIL ENGINEERING and other ASCE publications. Later he was with the Office of the Air Engineer, AAF, as editor of the Army publication, *Aviation Engineer Notes*, and assistant editor of *Construction Methods*. In 1946 he returned to the Society as editor of CIVIL ENGINEERING, a position he held through 1948. In 1949 Mr. King helped launch the magazine, *Construction Equipment*, and served as editor in chief until 1957. In 1958 he was feature editor for *Contractors and Engineers*. He has served as a member of the executive committee of the National Safety Council's Construction Division.

Long active in the Society, Mr. King has been on the Metropolitan Section's Annual Convention committee for several years. He has also been secretary of the Construction Division's Committee on Adverse Weather Conditions since its formation. In his new capacity at headquarters, he will be responsible for coordinating the Society's activities in the Department of Conditions of Practice, including education, registration, salaries, and employment conditions.

Mr. Lockwood, a 1948 civil engineering graduate of the College of the City of New York, was on the ASCE headquarters staff for ten years. He was associate editor of CIVIL ENGINEERING from 1948 to 1954 and executive editor from 1954 to 1957. In the latter year he was transferred to a position as Assistant to the Executive Secretary. In World War II Mr. Lockwood served in the Infantry, commanding a platoon in the Philippines, and later was in charge of the industrial demobilization of Japan in a three-prefect zone. Since the war he has been in the Corps of Engineers Reserve, and now has the rank of Major. Active in the Metropolitan Section, he was a prime mover in starting its newsletter a few years ago. He has also been president of the Section's Junior Forum.

Donald D. King

R. K. Lockwood

ASCE Manual on Sewage Treatment Plant Design

Several years of work by a joint committee of the Sanitary Engineering Division of ASCE and the Federation of Sewage and Industrial Wastes Associations are now culminated with the issuance of a manual on "Sewage Treatment Plant Design." In this manual the joint committee has summarized and interpreted current practice in the design of sewage treatment plants. The committee does not attempt to approve or disapprove the practice, but merely reports what is being done.

Copies of the new ASCE Manual (No. 36) can be obtained from ASCE by use of the coupon on page 145 of this issue. Engineers who are members of FSIWA but not of ASCE are urged to order their copies through the Federation so that the member discount of 50 percent on the list price of $7.00 will be available to them. Only one copy per member is offered at the discount rate, the charge for additional copies being $7.00.

SOCIETY AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE

DANIEL W. MEAD PRIZES:	*1959 contest closes May, 1, 1959. See 1958 Official Register, page 134; September 1958 issue of CIVIL ENGINEERING, page 78.*
FREEMAN FELLOWSHIP:	*1959-1960 award closes March 1, 1959. See Official Register, page 144; January 1959 issue of CIVIL ENGINEERING, page 77.*
ERNEST E. HOWARD AWARD:	*1960 award closes Feb. 1, 1960. See Offical Register, page 133; September 1958 issue of CIVIL ENGINEERING page 80.*
ASCE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP:	*1959 award closes March 15, 1959. See January 1959 issue of CIVIL ENGINEERING, page 80.*

ASCE ENGINEERING SALARY INDEX

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CITY	CURRENT	LAST QUARTER
Atlanta	1.11	1.11
Baltimore	1.11	1.11
Boston	1.15	1.13
Chicago	1.30	1.26
Denver	1.22	1.19
Houston	1.12	1.08
Kansas City	1.14	1.14
Los Angeles	1.16	1.16
New York	1.20	1.17
Pittsburgh	1.05	0.93
Portland (Ore.)	1.15	1.15
San Francisco	1.19	1.17
Seattle	1.06	1.07

Highway Departments

REGION	CURRENT	LAST QUARTER
I New England	0.91	0.85
II, Mid. Atlantic	1.17	1.17
III, Mid. West	1.25	1.15
IV, South	1.09	1.07
V, West	1.00	0.97
VI, Far West	1.15	1.15

Figures are based on salaries in effect as of May 15, 1958. Base figure, the sum of Federal Civil Service, G. S. Grades 5, 7, and 9 for 1956, is $15,930.

Reclassification of Member Grades Voted

A proposal for regrading ASCE member classifications, which went to the membership for ballot on November 21, has been approved by a ten-to-one vote. The balloting in the form of an enabling constitutional amendment closed on January 23, and the votes were counted at Society headquarters on January 26. The results were 16,171 votes favoring the change and 1,712 votes opposing it.

Several major changes are provided in the reclassification proposal. The entering membership grade designation will be Associate Member, and all present Junior Members will automatically become Associate Members. Persons who are currently Associate Members. will automatically become Members. Admission to the top, or Fellow, grade of membership will be by transfer only from the Member grade.

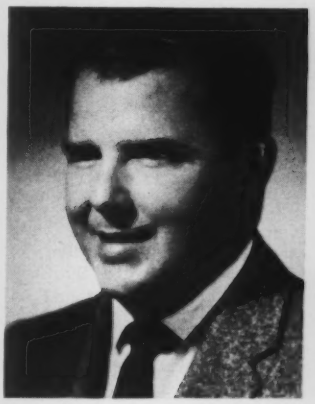
Debated over the years as a possible way to strengthen the Society's membership, the present reclassification proposal goes back to 1956, when the Board appointed a ten-man Task Committee on Classification of Members, headed by former Vice President Frank L. Weaver. The committee's interim report to the Board at Buffalo in June 1957 was printed in full in the July 1957 issue of CIVIL ENGINEERING (pages 81-82) for review and comment through the Local Sections. At Portland, in June 1958, the Board accepted the report of the Task Committee, as printed in the July issue, with minor changes in wording and a change in the name of the proposed top grade of member to Fellow.

The objective of the changes is explained by the Task Committee on Classification of Members in the November 1958 issue (page 91). Members of the Task Committee, in addition to Mr. Weaver, were Randle B. Alexander, Don M. Corbett, Clarence L. Eckel, W. S. LaLonde, Jr., Mason C. Prichard, John P. Riley, Thomas C. Shedd, Lowber D. Snow, and Graham P. Willoughby.

Members are asked *not* to inquire concerning their new grade designation. Details of the change-over will be announced as soon as they can be made available.

Daniel Mead Student Prize Goes to William G. Benko

William G. Benko, J.M. ASCE, weights engineer for North American Aviation, Inc., at Los Angeles, Calif., is the 1958 winner of the Daniel Mead Prize for Students for his essay on "Ethical Aspects of Current Practices in the Recruitment of Graduating Engineers." Mr. Benko wrote his prize-winning paper in his senior year



William G. Benko

at the University of California, where he graduated in 1958 with the bachelor of science degree in civil engineering. Mr. Benko's earlier studies at the University of Colorado, where he majored in chemical engineering, were interrupted by several years of service in the U. S. Air Force. In 1955 he entered the University of California as a civil engineering student, and was a member of the ASCE Student Chapter there.

The prize, consisting of a certificate and cash award of $50, will be presented to Mr. Benko during the ASCE Los Angeles Convention this February.

No Junior Member award of the Daniel Mead Prize was made in 1958.

Research Prizes to Be Presented at Los Angeles

One of the pleasant features of the forthcoming Los Angeles Convention will be the presentation of the Society's 1958 Research Prizes to four of the five winners. One recipient—**Dr. Ray Mindlin,** of the Columbia University Civil Engineering Department—will receive his prize later in New York at a Metropolitan Section meeting. Dr. Mindlin won the award for his research in determining the dynamic response of structural elements.

On hand for the Los Angeles ceremonies will be:

Dr. John W. Clark, of the Engineering Design Division of the Alcoa Research Laboratories, New Kensington, Pa., who is being honored for his research in analyzing and testing metal beams.

Dr. Hans A. Einstein, professor of mechanical engineering at the University of California, who will receive his award for research in the transportation of sediment by flowing water.

Dr. Warren A. Kaufman, professor of sanitary engineering at the University of California, who is receiving his award for research in treating radioactive waste.

Dr. Ivan Viest, bridge research engineer for the American Association of State Highway Officials, Ottawa, Ill., who is being cited for his research in designing reinforced concrete beams and columns.

The prizes consist of a cash award of $100 each and appropriate certificates.

International Congress on Applied Mechanics

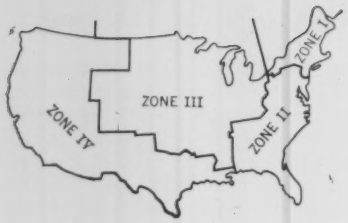
Although the Tenth International Congress of Applied Mechanics is over a year in the future, prospective authors are urged to be thinking about their papers now. The congress will be held in Stresa, Italy, August 31 through September 7, 1960.

In addition to a number of invited general lecturers, there will be two technical sessions divided into two sections: (1) fluid dynamics (hydrodynamics and aerodynamics), and (2) mechanics of solids (rigid body dynamics, vibrations, elasticity, plasticity, and theory of structures).

A Program Committee will make selections from the papers submitted. Abstracts of papers (preferably not to exceed two double-spaced typewritten pages) should be submitted in four copies to the Secretary of the International Committee before January 1, 1960. To facilitate the work of the committee it is recommended that abstracts be in two of the official congress languages (English, French, German, and Italian). The address is Professor Mekelweg, Secretary, International Committee, Applied Mechanics Congress, Delft 2, Netherlands.

ASCE Membership as of January 9, 1959

Members	10,267
Associate Members	14,521
Junior Members	17,059
Affiliates	76
Honorary Members	44
Total	41,967
(Jan. 9, 1958	40,358)



The Younger Viewpoint

The Voice of the Committee on Junior Member Publications

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This month, this column is edited primarily by the committee member from Zone I, Louis K. Walter, Jr.

What is the "younger viewpoint"?

This question, taken literally, can be pointed toward either this page and what it represents, or what the feelings of the young engineers are with regard to various aspects of engineering and to life today.

The answer to the first part should be fairly obvious to readers of this page. It has been in existence for several months with the purpose of publishing the views of young civil engineers on whatever question or topic they may choose to express themselves. A "crying towel" type of column is to be avoided, although it must be agreed that it is much easier to write a letter when you have a gripe to air than one regarding some general topic. This is not meant as a criticism of such letters but they do seem to predominate.

Neither is this page to be a facility for the publication of the opinions of a select group of representatives and their chairman. Their aim is to reflect *your* opinion.

Which brings us to the second meaning of the original question. What is the "younger viewpoint" if nobody expresses an opinion or feeling with regard to topics and problems of our profession? It is extremely difficult to profess to be a voice of a certain group when that group does not express itself.

The above was an unsolicited contribution. Contributions are gratefully accepted.

In an attempt to stimulate the interest of the young engineer, especially the recent graduate, in joining ASCE, the Junior Member Forum of the Metropolitan Section is weighing the merits of having an organizational meeting early in the fall. Its purpose—to bring together the potential Junior Members of the Society on a somewhat informal basis a short time after their graduation. The form considered has been a beer-and-pretzel type of affair with some kind of non-technical entertainment, such as recent World Series films, as an added lure. Inasmuch as the Forum has never attempted this type of meeting, it is anxious to learn of results and opinions from other Sections.

In case it has slipped your mind, the deadline for entries in the **Daniel W. Mead competition for papers on engineering ethics is May 1, 1959.** Complete rules and details of the award procedure are available on page 134 of the 1958 ASCE Official Register. There are separate prizes for Junior Members and Student Chapter members of the ASCE. The subject for this year is "The Responsibilities of the Engineering Employee to his Employer."

(**Food for thought:** It has been brought to our attention that the response to this competition has been something less than overwhelming. What can be done to make it more attractive? Some suggestions that come to mind: increase the monetary value of the prize; in lieu of selecting a specific topic each year it might be better to write on the general theme of ethics. What do you, the person who is eligible to compete for this prize, feel would make the competition more attractive?)

One of our Canadian neighbors, Charles J. Purcell, J. M. ASCE, of Montreal, has written us a letter of protest about the Engineering Societies Personnel Service. Perhaps some of the readers who have dealt with private agencies can give us the results of their experiences regarding fees and services. Some six years ago your editor for this month had occasion to contact the ESPS and, contrary to Mr. Purcell's experience, his impression was very favorable. Mr. Purcell's letter follows:

"I am writing to you concerning a peeve of mine which I would like to see explained and discussed in the pages of CIVIL ENGINEERING. Since I think the subject is of most interest to the Junior Members I am going to institute my campaign of protest, starting with 'The Younger Viewpoint.'

"My complaint is the method of advertising and financing of Engineering Societies Personnel Service, Inc., as carried in the pages of our magazine. I feel that the way the majority of 'Positions Available' are advertised, forcing interested persons to sign up with the Engineering Societies Personnel Service, compels them to pay out the exorbitant amount of 4 percent of an annual salary. The effort put out by the Service is utterly inadequate considering the charges levied.

"I have written to the Executive Secretary and was told that ASCE, in order to retain it's tax-free status, cannot operate an employment service. This is the reason why ESPS was set up. I have no complaint regarding having an independent service but would like to have its operation on a more justifiable basis.

"I feel that if the other Junior Members *knew* about this they would also resent it. I base this feeling on the fact that I knew nothing of it until I had occasion to answer an advertisement and then, instead of receiving further details as I would expect from a reputable publication, I received forms to fill out and contract to hand over 4 percent of my

salary in order to get the name of the advertiser. Which, by the way, I did not do.

"There is no notice on the page showing these requirements except a fine print type saying 'agrees to pay a fee at rates listed by the Service.' Do you consider that the rates listed are justified by the service rendered as would be expected in an ethical professional magazine?

"If the rates charged are *said* to be necessary to operate, then the Service must either be very ineffective or very inefficient and both cases require major surgery.

"Thats my viewpoint!!!!"

[*Editor's Note: ESPS is a non-profit corporation fostered by the Founder Societies to provide an employment service for their members. Its fees are established to pay the cost of service requested by thousands of engineers and agencies each year. The 4 percent charged by ESPS compares with a minimum of 5 per cent (substantially more in the Middle West) by commercial agencies. ESPS encourages employers to pay the fee, but this varies with supply and demand.*]

Alfred Noble Prize Goes To Electrical Engineer

The Alfred Noble Prize for 1958 has been awarded to Ghaffar Farman-Farmaian, of Tehran, Iran, a young electrical engineer and associate member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. The award was made for his paper, "General Analysis and Stability Study of Finite Pulsed Feedback Systems," which appeared in Vol. 22 of the AIEE Transactions. A native of Tehran, Mr. Farman-Farmaian received his undergraduate education in England, graduating from Loughborough College in 1951. He took his master of science in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois in 1953 and his doctorate from the University of California in 1958.

Established in 1929 in honor of the late Alfred Noble, Past-President of ASCE and the Western Society of Engineers, the prize is a joint award of the Founder Societies and the Western Society of Engineers. It is administered by ASCE. The award is made annually to a young member of one of the cooperating societies for the best paper published in one of their journals.

Collective Bargaining— The ASCE Attitude

In a recent exchange of correspondence, a member of the Society advocated an article in CIVIL ENGINEERING that would "be detailed enough so that our membership will thoroughly understand the position ASCE has taken with respect to professional employee bargaining groups". It is hoped that this article will serve the purpose.

Astonishing statements are heard, or read, from time to time, regarding the position of ASCE with respect to collective bargaining by engineering employees and what the Society has done about it.

Not long ago it was rumored that the official attitude had once been to encourage and assist engineers to become members of labor unions. Such a statement could not be farther from the truth. From the inception of the Society's interest in problems of unionization and collective bargaining, there have been more than 20 years of constructive effort wholly contrary to such a concept. The fundamental desire throughout has been to enable engineers to avoid inclusion in unions of nonprofessional employees and to permit them free choice of action as to whether they wanted any part of collective bargaining.

Another erroneous statment is to the effect that ASCE has sponsored bargaining groups. It has not. The Society has furnished information and advice as to how a group of professional employees might proceed to organize a bargaining unit of their own if they so desired.

This action originated in the early 1940's when, under the Wagner Act, engineers were sorely harassed by existing labor unions and, in many instances, found themselves swept into unions against their will and subjected to grave abuse. The situation became intolerable. Yet none of the major engineering societies was doing anything to help.

After careful consideration, ASCE set forth a program under which a small committee could be organized by any Local Section in whose area there was a recognized need for action. The committee, with the benefit of information furnished by the Society, could help toward developing an appropriate unit of professional employees for certification by the National Labor Relations Board. The first step consisted of an invitation to all interested employee engineers in the area, whether or not members of ASCE, to join together in an independent organization. That organization elected its own officers and could then proceed to become an active collective bargaining group. Once the larger organization was established, the Local Section committee had no further purpose. ASCE had no connection with the ultimate group. The sole objective of the Society was to assist professional employees who were in distress and had no one to whom to look for help. Enactment of the Taft-Hartley Act greatly simplified the situation, and for many years there has been no occasion for any Local Section to serve in the manner described.

In this connection it is to be noted that neither the Society nor a Local Section can take any part in the activity of a collective bargaining group, even if it so desires. A bargaining unit must be composed solely of employees and, since ASCE membership includes both employers and employees, the NLRB would refuse certification to any unit that was even in part supported by the Society.

The Society's official policy was formulated by the Committee on Employment Conditions and adopted by the Board of Direction in 1946. Published many times, it reads as follows:

"(1) Any group of professional employees, who have a community of interest and who wish to bargain collectively, should be guaranteed the right to form and administer their own bargaining unit and be permitted free choice of their representatives to negotiate with their employer.

"(2) No professional employee, or group of employees, desiring to undertake collective bargaining with an employer should be forced to affiliate with, or become members of, any bargaining group which includes nonprofessional employees, or to submit to representation by such a group or its designated agents.

"(3) No professional employee should be forced, against his desires, to join any organization as a condition of his employment, or to sacrifice his right to individual personal relations with his employer in matters of employment conditions."

That policy later was adopted by Engineers Joint Council. It is the policy on which the professional employee provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act were based as the result of action by the EJC Labor Legislation Panel with ASCE taking the lead by request. Without change, it still is ASCE's official statement of policy.

Division Doings

Construction Division

The Construction Division has a new look these days, following complete overhaul of its administrative and technical committee structure in a move to bring the Division's "standing in accomplishment on a par with its ranking in size." With 8,200 members, the Division is ASCE's second largest. Ten new committees have been formed, and two of eight existing committees have been discontinued. The newly formed executive committee is headed by Walter L. Couse, former vice-chairman. The only other holdover member is Alexander Brest. Three new members have begun their duties. They are Lyman D. Wilbur (vice-chairman), Joseph F. Jelley, Jr., and Michael N. Salgo (secretary).

An important recent Construction Division activity was co-sponsorship with the Structural Division of ASCE's part in the Fourth National Construction Industry Conference, held in Chicago in December. Other societies taking part were the American Institute of Architects, the Associated General Contractors of America, and the Building Research Institute. The Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology was host to the two-day gathering, which was attended by some 300 architects, engineers, social scientists, and builders.

The prime topic of discussion was "Human Needs in Cities of the Future." The engineering group emphasized the need for new and more flexible building forms. The engineering program was highlighted by the presence of Edward Torroja, M.ASCE, internationally known structural engineer and director of the Instituto Tecnico de la Construccion in Madrid. Mr. Torroja also advocated greater daring in the use of structural shapes. In the opinion of the builders represented on the program, "the new shapes can be built, but at a price."

Hydraulics Division

Plans are shaping up for the Hydraulic Division's eighth annual conference, set for Fort Collins, Colo., July 1-3. The conference co-hosts will be the Colorado Section and Colorado State University. The three-day technical program will include papers on various hydraulic subjects and a tour of the Hydraulics Laboratory at Colorado State. Two valuable inspection trips have been planned for the days immediately preceding the conference. On June 29 there will be an opportunity to visit the Bureau of Reclamation's Hydraulics Laboratory in Denver, and on June 30 there will be a guided tour of the Bureau's Colorado-Big Thompson project, one of the most extensive irrigation and power projects in the state.

Housing accommodations for both individuals and families will be available at reasonable rates in new university dormitories. The interests of the ladies and children are being kept in mind. With some of the most beautiful country in the United States and many recreational facilities in the Fort Collins area, the Division is rightly urging engineers to combine attendance with a family vacation trip. Persons wishing to reserve a mountain cabin, should write to the Housing Committee, Hydraulics Conference, Civil Engineering Department, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo. Requests for reservations should be made early because of summer tourist demand for cabins.

Highway Division

One of the objectives of the Highway Division's Committee on Increasing Highway Engineering Productivity is to assist engineering educators in their highway engineering courses by seeing that they are informed of new methods and devices. With this aim in mind, the Division recently polled 126 engineering schools and colleges. The questionnaires, which sought information on a wide range of teaching practice, will be analyzed to determine the committee's initial step.

Pipeline Division

The Pipeline Division is calling for volunteers to work on three new committees, which have been formed from the former Committee on Pipeline Design, Specifications and Operating Standards. The three new committees will investigate and correlate studies in pipeline design and economics, pipeline installation, and pipeline operation and maintenance, with the objective of disseminating civil engineering information to those engaged in the transportation of crude oil products, natural gas, water, and solids. In order to provide a broad base for committee activities, interested members are urged to return the form provided in the January issue (page 96).

Fourth Congress on Applied Mechanics

As ASCE representative on the U. S. National Committee on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, R. E. Fadum, head of the civil engineering department at North Carolina State College, reports that plans are underway for the Fourth U. S. National Congress on Applied Mechanics. The congress will be held on the Berkeley campus of the University of California, June 18-21, 1962. Research workers in the theoretical and applied mechanics of solids and fluids are invited to submit papers for consideration by the Editorial Committee. Details and deadlines will be announced later. Prof. R. M. Rosenberg is chairman of the Editorial Committee.

The general congress chairman will be Prof. W. W. Soroka. Inquiries about the congress should be directed to Prof. W. Goldsmith, Secretary, Division of Mechanics and Design, University of California, Berkeley 4, Calif.

Pipeline Division's Task Committee on Pipeline Location, shown at recent organizational meeting, includes (in usual order) James C. Faulkner, supervisor of Drafting Division, Texas Eastern Transmission Corp., Shreveport, La.; John F. Schaffer, chief civil engineer, El Paso Natural Gas Company, El Paso, Tex.; Chairman Earnest O. Scott, reconnaissance engineer, Service Pipe Line Co., Tulsa, Okla.; Prof. Milton O. Schmidt, University of Illinois; and Robert H. Dodds, project engineer, Gibbs & Hill, New York, N. Y.

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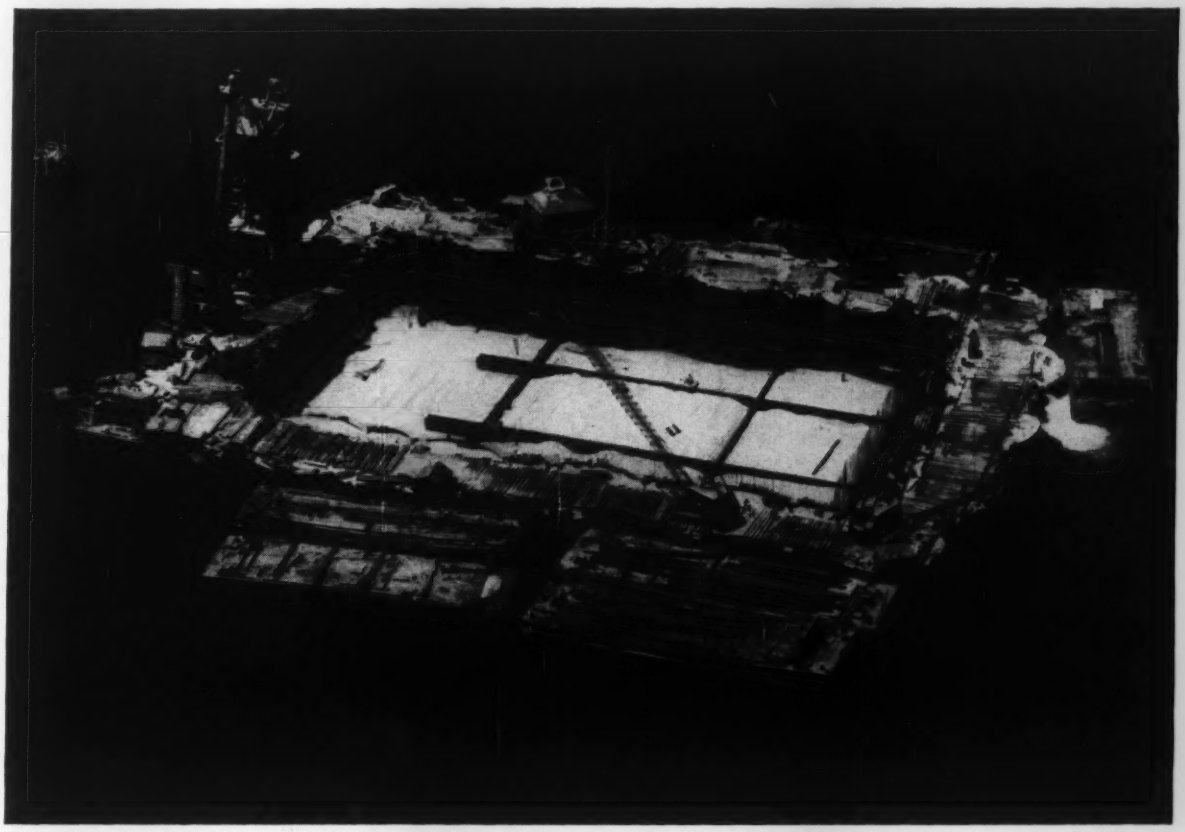

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NOTES FROM THE LOCAL SECTIONS

(Copy for these columns must be received by the fifth of the month preceding date of publication)

In unanimous balloting, the **Juneau Branch** of the **Alaska Section** has elected the following new officers: R. J. DeLa-Hunt, president; Hurff Saunders, vice-president; Ron Mayo, secretary-treasurer; and Glade W. Roberts, assistant secretary-treasurer. Thomas Stewart, a local attorney and former secretary of the Alaska Constitutional Convention, elaborated on the aspects of the new State Constitution that concerns engineers.

At a recent **Lehigh Valley Section** meeting, the new president, John M. Adams, presented the outgoing president, Prof. Robert De Moyer, with a certificate of appreciation for his outstanding leadership of the Section during the UEC fund campaign—the Section was second in the nation to fulfill its quota in the campaign. Other Section officers are Walter D. Myers, second vice-president; Lawrence G. Adams, secretary-treasurer; and Edward Mark Cummings, who will serve a second year as first vice-president. Speaker for the evening, Hugh Moore, Jr., community architect, outlined features of home design that add charm and warmth to a house.

The recent annual meeting of the **Vermont Branch** of the **Maine Section,** a combination dinner-business meeting, was highlighted by a talk by Fozi Cahaly, of the Boston firm of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike. Mr. Cahaly gave an illustrated talk on the proposed changes to make a complete treatment plant out of the present primary plant, the St. Albans Sewage Treatment Plant. Officers elected for the new year are Stephen Knight, president; Kenneth Kidd, vice-president; and Gordon Pyper, secretary-treasurer.

Officers for the coming year recently elected by the **Miami Section** are Herbert S. Saffir, president; Howard Post, vice-president; Walter E. Dinn, secretary and Christopher Tyson, treasurer.

The following slate of officers for 1959 were announced at a recent meeting of the **Little Rock Branch** of the **Mid-South Section:** J. W. Courter, president; Margaret Peterson, vice-president; and Reid Beckel, secretary-treasurer. Guest speaker, Dr. Raymond E. Edwards, compared educational systems in the United States, Great Britain and Russia. The **Memphis Branch** unanimously elected W. D. Painter, president; R. E. Hagenhoff, vice-president; and J. B. Fryar, secretary-treasurer, at a recent meeting. Paul M. Enright, of International Engineering, and the evening's speaker, gave an illustrated talk on the Southern Pacific Railroad's Great Salt Lake Crossing begun in 1953. He covered the problems faced on this tremendous project and many of their unique and original solutions. Officers elected for 1959 by the **Vicksburg Branch** are: Russell C. Baker, president; Frank B. Campbell, vice-president; and William E. Strohm, secretary-treasurer.

Franklin Sunn (left), past president of the Hawaii Section, congratulates incoming president Edward J. Morgan. Other new officers are Russell Smith, third vice-president; Wayne Duncan, first vice-president; Paul Liu, secretary; and Richard Cox, treasurer.

New officers of the **Mohawk-Hudson Section** are: Cliff S. Barton, president; Haaren A. Miklofsky, first vice-president; William G. Wilkie, second vice-president; R. Vincent Milligan, secretary; and Erhard E. Dittbrenner, treasurer.

The 1958-1959 season of the **Philadelphia Section** was inaugurated by a recent well-attended joint meeting with the Metropolitan-Philadelphia Chapter of the American Public Works Association. Walter Douglas, partner in the New York consulting firm of Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall and Macdonald, spoke on regional transportation. Emphasizing transportation as the most important, significant factor in municipal and regional development, Mr. Douglas decried the traffic congestion problem common to all metropolitan areas, stressing the need for an overall system to alleviate the nightmare. A symposium on the general subject, "Prestressed Concrete—Its Uses and Methods of Production," marked another meeting. The three speakers—Frederick C. Lowy, Philip Grennan, and L. C. Petersen—presented various phases of the relatively new and fast-growing concept of reinforced concrete design.

A special feature of Pittsburgh's year-long 200th anniversary celebration will be

The Central Ohio Section installs 1959 officers at its annual meeting. In usual order are: Charles H. Corning, secretary-treasurer; Robert F. Baker, first vice-president; O. H. Jeffers, president; and S. W. Dudley, second vice-president. Guest speaker, Dr. William Ewing, associate director of WOSU Radio and TV, spoke on Giving Education the Air.

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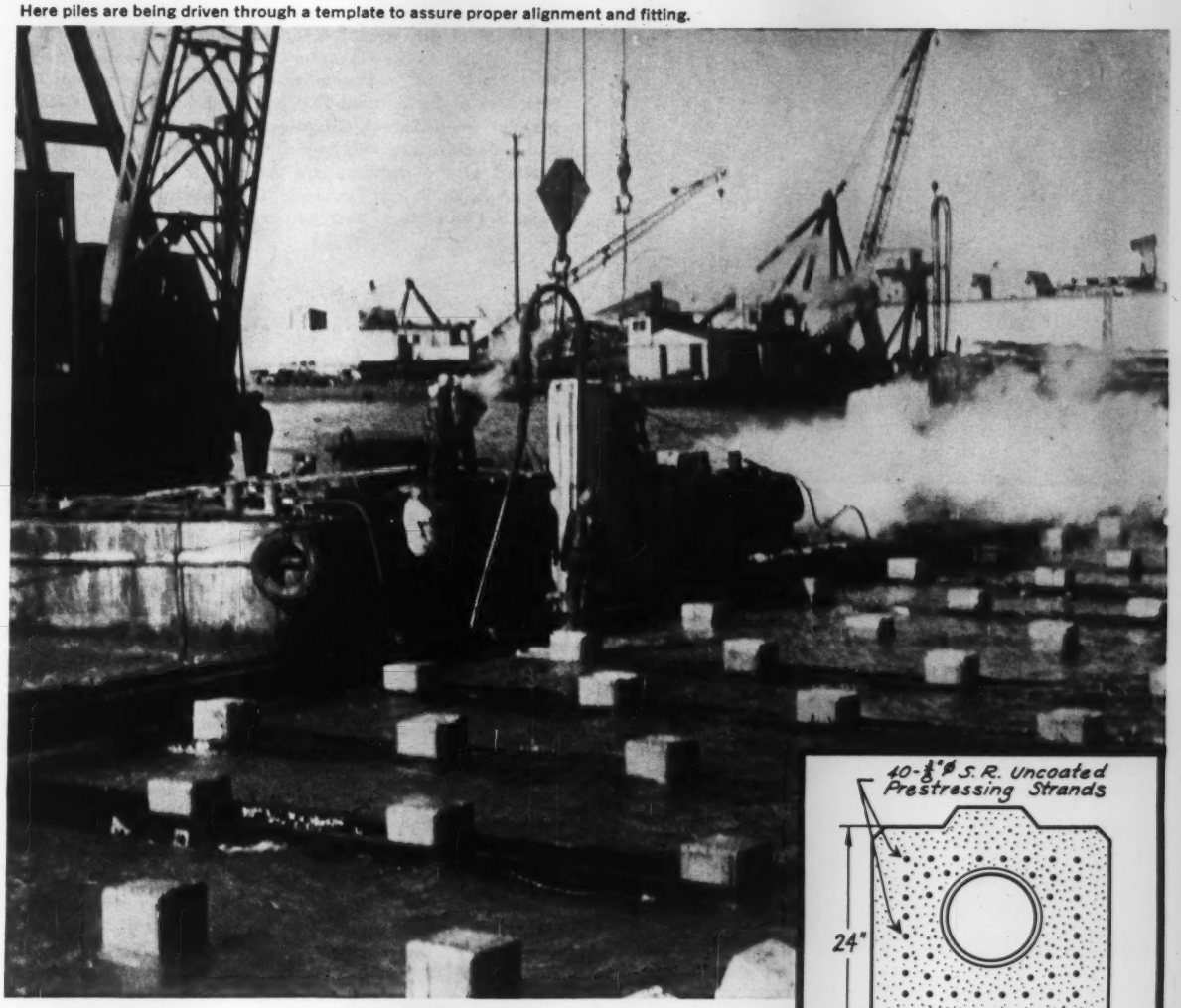

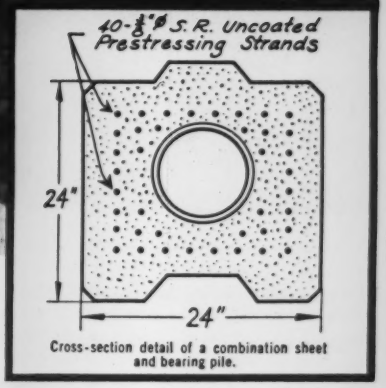

Cross-section detail of a combination sheet and bearing pile.

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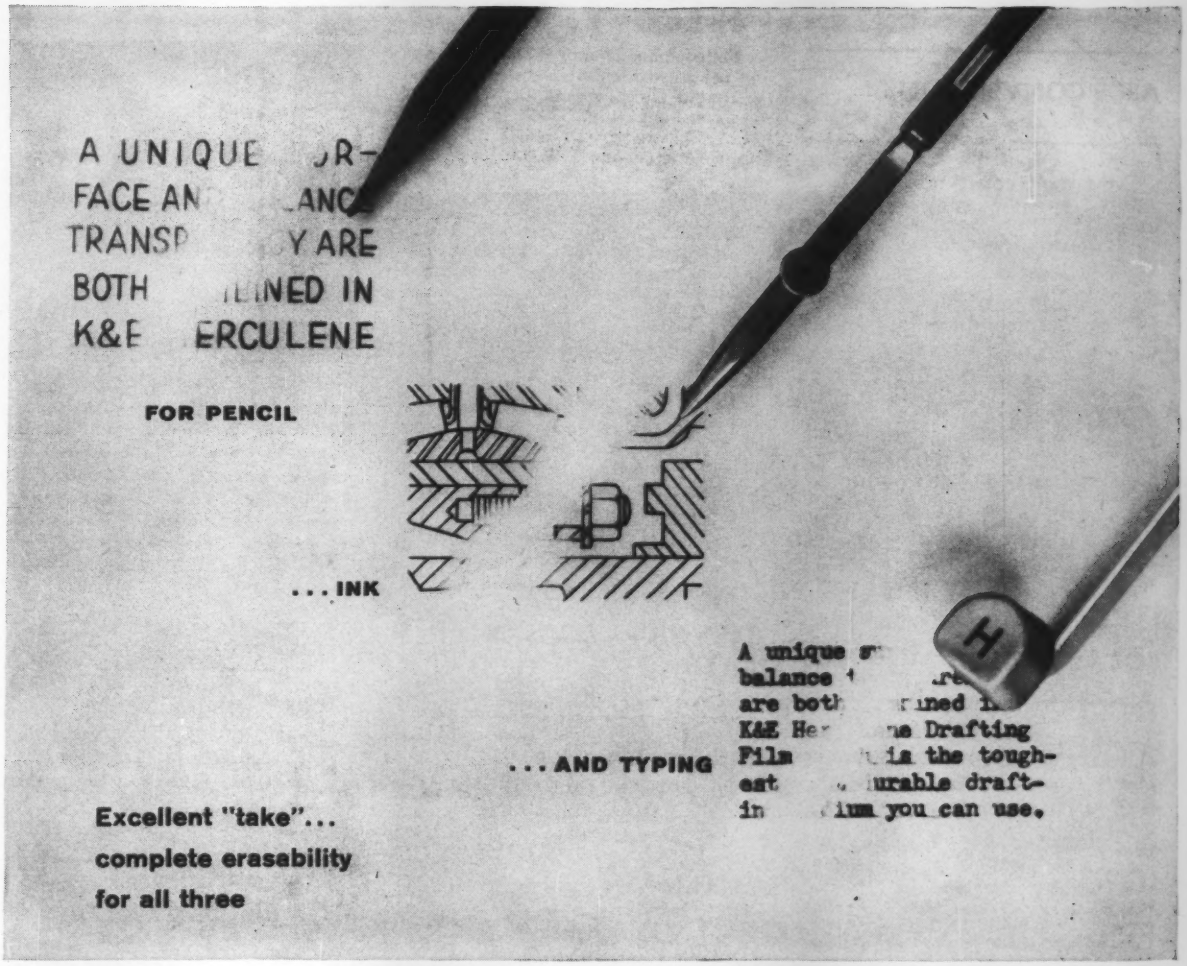
Highlight of the annual dinner meeting of the Puerto Rico Section, held in the Governor's Room of the Condado Beach Hotel, San Juan, in December, was the reunion of four Life Members of the Section. They are, from left to right, Colonel Manuel Font, Rafael Gonzalez, Etienne Totti, and Robert Auld. Section now has seven Life Members. New officers, elected at the meeting, are Antonio R. Torres, president; Hector A. Deliz and Fernando Torrent, vice-presidents; and Juan R. Figueroa, secretary-treasurer.

New St. Louis Section officers, elected at recent annual meeting, are, in usual order, Henry S. Miller, president; Erwin E. Bloss, first vice president; and Earl R. Salveter, second vice president. Also elected were Irwin A. Benjamin as secretary and O. Fred Nelson as treasurer.

Five civil engineers are honored with lifetime memberships in the Society at joint dinner meeting of the Michigan Section and Student Chapters of the University of Detroit and Wayne University. Receiving their certificates are (left to right): Otto Koch, retired civil engineer for the New York Central Railroad; Edwin Pate, of Pate Hirn, Inc.; Carl Barton, retired president of Barton-Malow Contractors; and Milton Wagnitz, city engineer of Detroit. Missing is Joseph Bendt, who was on a job in Grand Rapids.

a joint meeting sponsored by the **Pittsburgh Section** and the Pittsburgh Bicentennial Association on March 24. As part of the program's emphasis on the role of science—what it stands for and what it is doing—Executive Secretary William H. Wisely will speak to a group of high school students about civil engineering as a career and profession. In the same mood, sound movies of several important civil engineering projects and exhibits depicting the work of the civil engineer will be shown in the New Bell Telephone Company Building Auditorium in Gateway Center, at 3:30 p.m. The cocktail hour and dinner, 6 to 8 p.m., will be held at the Gateway Plaza Restaurant at $4.00 per plate. Concluding the day's activities, President Francis Friel will speak on the significance and importance of the military and civil engineer in the development of the Pittsburgh area. This part of the program will begin at 8:30 p.m. in the Bell Telephone Building Auditorium and will be open to the general public.

The **Chattanooga Branch** of the **Tennessee Valley Section** was host to the Section at its annual meeting in November. The exhibits, technical sessions, luncheons, and a dinner with its exceptional entertainment, made up one of the finest annual meetings the Section has had. As principal speaker Society Vice-President Paul L. Holland, although an eleventh hour replacement for President Friel, gave a forceful talk built around President Friel's inaugural address, "Our Engineering Passport," in which he pointed out the privileges and responsibilities of the profession. During the business session, Mayor P. R. Olgiati of Chattanooga outlined the political and economic situations of the past ten years



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LOCAL SECTION MEETINGS

Central Pennsylvania—Dinner meeting at Van's Colonial Restaurant in Harrisburg, February 24 at 6 p.m.

Hawaii—Post-Convention Tour of the Islands, February 16-25. Tour headquarters will be the Reef Hotel, Honolulu. For information write, Reservations Committee, P.O. Box 8084, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Illinois—Weekly luncheon meeting at the Engineers' Club, Chicago, every Friday at 12 noon.

Los Angeles—Dinner meeting of the Sanitary Engineering Group at the Engineers' Club in the Biltmore Hotel on February 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Metropolitan—Meeting in the Engineering Societies Building, February 18, at 7 p.m.

Philadelphia—Junior Member Forum on the Need for Port Development and Desirable Objectives at the Engineers' Club on March 10 at 7:30 p.m.; meeting of the Construction Division at the Engineers' Club on March 25.

Pittsburgh—Joint afternoon and evening meeting with the Pittsburgh Bicentennial Association in the New Bell Telephone Company Building in Gateway Center, downtown Pittsburgh on March 24. A cocktail hour and dinner will be held at the Gateway Plaza Restaurant in Gateway Center at 6 p.m.

Virginia—Norfolk Branch meeting the third Monday of every month at the YMCA Cafeteria at 12 noon; Richmond Branch meeting the first Monday of every month at the Hot Shoppe Cafeteria at 12:15 p.m.; Roanoke Branch meeting the second Wednesday of every month in the S & W Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.

TECHNICAL DIVISION MEETINGS

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Ronald M. White (left) receives congratulations on assuming presidency of the Kansas City Section from his predecessor in office, L. W. Bremser. Other new officers are Richard O. Davis, first vice president; F. E. Bleistein, second vice-president; and Jack F. Daily, secretary-treasurer. The new Directors are A. Pearce Godley, W. R. Gibbs, and James G. Stinson.

in the Chattanooga metropolitan area that have made necessary new traffic systems, expressways, bridges and urban housing, a drama being reenacted throughout the United States.

The **Virginia Section** held its annual meeting in December. The two-day program included business and technical sessions, and a banquet and inspection trip. Among the many prominent engineers attending were Waldo G. Bowman, Paul L. Holland, Lloyd D. Knapp and Samuel B. Morris, Vice-Presidents of ASCE; Louis R. Howson and Mason G. Lockwood, Past Presidents of ASCE; and William H. Wisely, Executive Secretary of ASCE. President Francis Friel was featured banquet speaker, and Past-President William R. Glidden was toastmaster.

Participating in the Ninth Annual Highway Conference at the University of Maine—sponsored by the Maine Section, the State Highway Commission, and the Student Chapter—are (left to right) Weston S. Evans, dean of the College of Technology, and speakers John W. Leslie, chief of the New England Division of the U. S. Corps of Engineers, and Ellis L. Armstrong, Commissioner of the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads. The program covered various aspects of highway engineering and construction and progress of highway improvements in the Maine area.

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BY-LINE WASHINGTON . . . . .

Labor news affecting consulting engineers ranked high among Washington developments of interest to the profession last month.

The U. S. Supreme Court handed down two decisions of considerable importance. In one, it found that the National Labor Relations Board acted illegally in combining both professional employees and non-professionals in one bargaining unit, and without the prior approval of a majority of the professional engineers (January issue, page 83).

If professional employees of an industrial organization desire to organize and bargain collectively they must be given separate and distinct recognition. This is a prerogative which has long been accorded engineering groups under the Taft-Hartley Act, but the NLRB in the disputed case felt that the inclusion of nine non-professional employees in a professional group negotiating with an employer would not destroy the predominantly professional character of the unit. When the federal district court upheld the position of the engineers, the NLRB appealed first to an appellate court and finally to the Supreme Court, but with no success.

The second decision went against the interests of engineers. In reviewing the case of Lublin, McGaughy and Associates, the Court found that the consulting engineers, engaged in preparing plans and blueprints for a construction project of an interstate nature, were, in effect, thus part of interstate commerce and so their employees are subject to federal wage and hour regulations.

It had been argued in a brief submitted as "a friend of the court," that a consultant's activities as a designer are not actually in or closely related to the movement of commerce and that his services are of too personal and advisory a nature to be defined as commercial. The Court saw it differently. The majority opinion declared that the consultant's participation in development of an enterprise which would ultimately serve interstate commerce determined the Court's decision. The practical result will probably be an increase in the cost of engineering services where consultants have heretofore not been so concerned with the federal wage and hour laws.

The NLRB also turned down a company request to have senior project engineers excluded from an engineers' union. The company, Pennsylvania Power and Light, had contended that its senior project engineers in the Engineering and Construction Division were supervisors and therefore exempt from membership in the local, an affiliate of Engineers and Scientists of America. It claimed that because senior project engineers direct the work of project engineers and assume some management responsibilities (such as merit rating) they should not be assigned to a collective bargaining unit.

NLRB differed because, it said, if the senior project engineers were tagged as "supervisors," the organization would be top heavy with supervisors and the ratio unrealistic. "We are satisfied that the direction exercised by the senior project engineers, who have no formal responsibility beyond the project specifically assigned to them, is not of a supervisory nature," it opined.

Also of timely interest on the labor front: New salary requirements for the exemption of professional and administrative employees from the federal Fair Labor Standards Act will go into effect February 2. The revised schedule requires that, in order to be exempt from the Act's minimum wage and overtime provisions, a professional or administrative employee must be paid at least $95 a week, instead of the $75 heretofore the rule.

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Uncle Sam is finding out it pays to pay well. The Civil Service Commission reported last month that the new and higher salary schedules it set up for beginning engineers last year have been instrumental in drawing more young men into federal employment. Fully 37 percent of the persons offered beginning engineering positions in 1958 accepted, compared with a low 17 percent back in 1954. Jobs paying about $6,900 to $8,200 are drawing even better (48 percent acceptance, compared to only 11 percent two years ago in 1956), and offers of top positions paying about $9,500 to $16,000 were accepted by 59 percent of the engineers approached (compared to 12 percent in 1956).

So, the gap between attractiveness of industry and government jobs has narrowed significantly. The CSC gives much credit to the 10 percent pay raise authorized by Congress last year, and a new policy of hiring high quality graduates at a Grade 7 level ($5,900).

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Officials of the Construction Specifications Institute here have announced a membership drive to boost membership from the present 3,200 to 5,000 by the year's end. The CSI also hopes to increase its number of local chapters from the present 31 to 50 within the year. Although the organization of specification writers is eleven years old, the last three years has seen its membership roll really skyrocketing.

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The observance of "National Engineers Week" this month (February 22-28) will be kicked off with a commendatory message from the White House and followed by a barrage of radio, television, and press publicity, all designed to draw attention to the importance of the engineer in American life. A number of leading civil engineers here in Washington are lending their names and prestige to the effort.

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A new Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation was named last month. John J. Allen, Jr., a former Republican Congressman who lost his seat in the Democratic landslide last November, has accepted the post, vacated by Louis Rothschild recently. An attorney, Mr. Allen will be responsible, in the Commerce office, for administration of the Bureau of Public Roads and the new Federal Aviation Agency, the two agencies that represent the federal interest in roadbuilding and airport construction.

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Construction Activity Sets Dollar Record in 1958

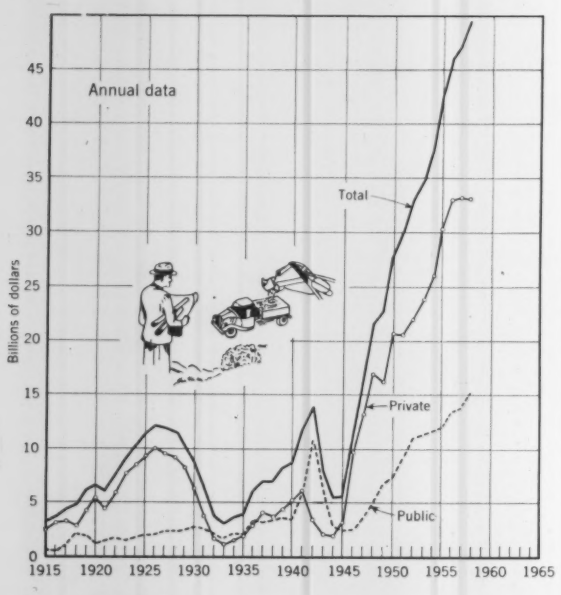
The dollar value of new construction put in place during 1958 totaled $49 billion, about 2 percent above the record $48.1 billion spent in 1957, according to preliminary joint estimates of the U. S. Departments of Labor and Commerce. The $34 billion private total matched the all-time high of 1957, and public outlays rose 6 percent to a new peak of $15 billion. Preliminary indications are that the overall physical volume of new construction put in place during 1958 (expenditures adjusted for price changes) was about the same as in 1957, or slightly below the peak of 1955.

Primarily because of a $1.1 billion drop in industrial building, 1958 was the first year since 1949 that the private total failed to show an over-the-year increase. Private spending reached new highs in 1958 for office buildings and warehouses, schools, and hospitals, and the rate of decline in store building was less than half that experienced in 1957. Construction of churches and related buildings held near the record level of 1957, as did outlays for privately owned public utilities. Strength in the latter reflected continued expansion in electric power and gas facilities, which almost offset declines in new construction by railroad and telephone and telegraph companies.

After declining in 1956 and 1957, private residential construction rose 5 percent in 1958 to $17.9 billion, but was still 4 percent below the 1955 peak. The value of work done on new dwelling units began to exceed year-earlier levels in June 1958, and the gains widened from 8 percent in the third quarter to 17 percent in the fourth quarter. Despite this improvement, the 1958 total dollar volume for new dwelling units ($13.4 billion) was about $1.6 billion, or 11 percent, less than the peak of 1955. Spending last year for additions and alterations to existing residences almost equaled the 1957 record, and the value of work done on new hotels and motels reached a new high.

Highway construction and housing (including Capehart projects for the armed services) contributed the major part of the $900 million expansion in the public total between 1957 and 1958. Highway construction advanced 8 percent to a record $5.4 billion, largely because of work put in place on the new Interstate Highway System.

Expenditures edged up to new peaks also for public schools ($2.9 billion) and for conservation and development projects ($1 billion). Administrative and service building outlays expanded (for the sixth consecutive year) to more than half a billion dollars, primarily because of work done on new post offices and other federal office buildings. Public hospital and institutional building showed another substantial rise in 1958, after reversing a five-year downtrend in 1957. However, public industrial building dropped sharply over the year, and military construction continued the decline begun in 1957.



Construction activity for 1958 breaks dollar-volume record for the thirteenth consecutive year with total outlays of $49 billion — an increase of about 2 percent over the record $48.1 billion spent in 1957. Physical volume was about the same as in 1957.

Navy Awards $21 Million Contract for Dry Dock

The Navy Bureau of Yards and Docks has awarded a joint-venture group a $21,645,000 contract for a new dry dock to be built at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard at Bremerton, Wash. The joint venture consists of the Manson Construction and Engineering Company, of Seattle; the J. A. Jones Construction Company, of Seattle; the Perini Corporation, of San Francisco, Calif., and East Boston, Mass.; and the Osberg Construction Company, of Seattle. All work required to provide a complete facility is included in the contract, except for construction of the caisson.

The new dock, the largest of its kind ever built, will be 1,152½ ft long and 180 ft wide at the coping, with a height of 61 ft from coping to floor. It will provide 48 ft of water over the keel-blocks at high tide. Completion is scheduled for November 1961.

Pan American Air Terminal Now Under Construction

Erection of an umbrella-type roof as big as the Yankee Stadium—the covering for the new Pan American Airways passenger terminal being built at New York International Airport—was started in December by the Lehigh Structural Steel Company, fabricators and erectors for the project. The mammoth oval-shaped covering, the world's largest steel-supported umbrella, is a cantilever formed with heavy steel girders radiating in all directions from a central core of steel anchor columns, also arranged in an oval pattern. The roof will extend 124 ft beyond the walls of the three-story terminal building, which will be framed in glass and surrounded by walkways hung by cables from the roof.

The design of the terminal will permit four jet airliners simultaneously to discharge passengers under its protective roof, for the first time bringing air travelers practically to the doors of a terminal. A light and airy look will be achieved in the canopy section by minimum use of heavy steel girders. To increase the carrying capacity of these girders, which will range in length from 186 to 224 ft, they will be prestressed individually with wire cables. A 4-in.-thick concrete slab will form a roof deck over the whole area.

Engineer-architect for the $8,000,000 terminal is Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton, with Ives, Turano and Gardner the associate architects. The Turner Construction Company is the general contractor.

$54 Million Recommended For Ohio River Dams

At its December meeting the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors recommended approval of a proposal of the Corps of Engineers' District Engineer at Huntington, W. Va., and Division Engineer at Cincinnati for the replacement of Locks and Dams 18, 19, and 20 on the Ohio River. The proposed Belleville locks and dam project would include a gated overflow dam and a fixed weir and two locks—one 1,200 ft long by 110 ft wide and the other 600 ft long by 110 ft wide. The estimated cost to the United States would be $54,400,000, plus annual maintenance and operation costs of $160,000.

Before construction can be started, the recommendation must be approved by the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of the Army and Congress must appropriate the necessary funds.

Work Starts on New York's Narrows Bridge

Narrows Bridge, shown here in artist's sketch, will be a twelve-lane, double-deck structure joining Staten Island and Brooklyn at the entrance to New York Harbor. The 4,260-ft center suspension span will be the longest in the world.

Subsurface soil tests to obtain information essential for the design of the tower foundations of the $320,000,000 Narrows Bridge started in January. The twelve-lane double-deck bridge will connect Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn and Fort Wadsworth on Staten Island. Under a $150,000 contract, the Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corporation is driving test piles, making load tests, and taking borings at the site of the Brooklyn tower. The piles will be driven to the unusual depth of 300 ft. It is expected that the subsurface explorations will be completed in six to eight weeks. Completion of the bridge, which will include the world's longest suspension span, is scheduled for mid-1964.

The bridge, connecting Brooklyn and Staten Island at the entrance to New York Harbor, will have an overall length of two and a half miles. The 4,260-foot center suspension span will exceed by 60 ft the 4,200-ft suspension span of the Golden Gate Bridge, the world's longest existing span. The side spans will be 1,215 ft long. Vertical clearance over the channel at the middle of the suspension span will be 228 ft.

The Staten Island tower will be located about 300 ft offshore of Fort Wadsworth, while the Brooklyn tower will rest on Fort Lafayette Island about 800 ft offshore of Fort Hamilton. The towers will rise some 700 ft above the water. The lower level will be built first, with the upper level and its approach ramps to be provided when traffic warrants.

The Port of New York Authority will finance and construct the Narrows Bridge. On completion, it will be leased to the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority for an amount that will cover all debt service charges on final costs. The proposal to build the bridge across the Narrows was first announced by the two Authorities in January 1955. The bridge was part of a vast program of arterial highway construction for the New York-New Jersey Metropolitan Area, recommended by the two agencies after a year-long comprehensive study. The governors and legislatures of New York and New Jersey have approved the project.

Other facilities in the joint program include the Port Authority's $182,000,000 six-lane lower deck of the George Washington Bridge, together with its expanded approaches and a new interstate bus passenger facility in Manhattan; and Triborough's $90,000,000 six-lane, single-deck Throgs Neck suspension bridge connecting Cryders Point in Queens and Fort Schuyler in the Bronx. Now under construction, these projects are scheduled for completion in 1962 and 1961.

Do You Need Funds For Graduate Study?

Availability of one thousand National Defense Graduate Fellowships for the 1959-1960 academic year is announced by the U. S. Office of Education. This year the awards will go to first-year graduate students in "approved graduate programs." The rules stipulate that the programs must be "new" or "expanded" and must assure a nationwide geographical distribution of facilities for the graduate training of college or university-level teachers. Further, the fellows must indicate an interest in teaching in institutions of higher education.

The fellowships will normally run for three years with a stipend to the individual of $2,000 for the first year, $2,200 for the second, and $2,400 for the third, plus $400 a year for each dependent. The institution will receive such payment—not to exceed $2,500 annually per fellowship—as may be determined reasonable compensation for the fellow's cost to the program.

Graduate students seeking such fellowships should apply at once to the college or university of their choice, since the awards will be administered by the institutions.

Incidentally, complete information on how to obtain graduate study funds, ranging from $200 up to $10,000, is now available in the second volume of the World-Wide Graduate Award Directory, compiled by the Advancement and Placement Institute. Over 250 universities and foundations in almost every state, plus 100 foreign universities, have supplied information for inclusion in the new volume. Volume II supplements Volume I, published in 1957, with completely new data.

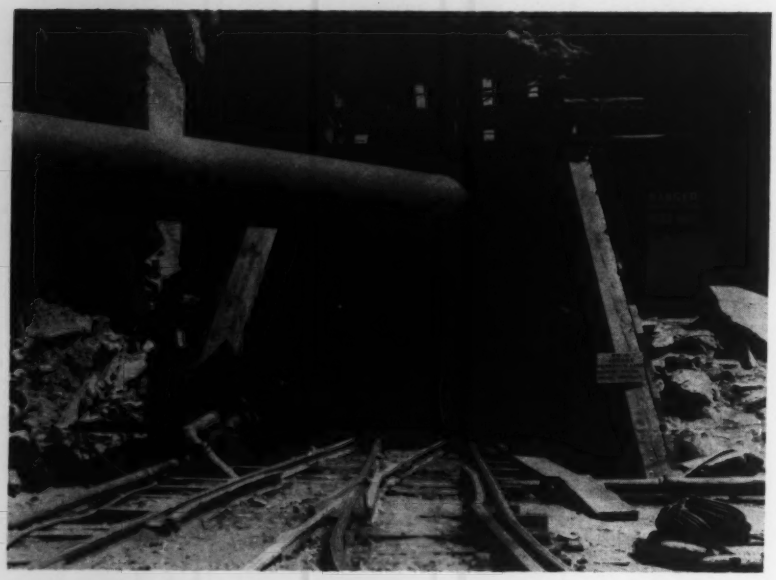
Both volumes may be ordered from the Institute, Box 99 H, Greenpoint Station, Brooklyn 22, N. Y. The price is $3.00 a volume, or $5.00 for the two.

ASA Elects New Officers

J. R. Townsend, special assistant in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Research and Engineering), has been elected president of the American Standards Association. He is a former president of the American Society for Testing Materials. Frank H. Roby, executive vice-president of the Federal Pacific Electric Corporation, Newark, N. J., has been elected vice-president. New directors are Charles W. Bryan, Jr., president of the Pullman Company, Wilmington, Del., and T. T. Miller, president of the Polymer Chemical Division of W. R. Grace & Co., of New York. Mr. Bryan was ASCE's nomination.

Announcement of the elections was made at ASA's fortieth annual meeting.

Hetch Hetchy's Cherry Valley Power Project



Granite portal for Cherry power tunnel is shown here. The 12½-ft-high by 12-ft-wide tunnel follows an almost solid granite formation in its six-mile course. The 30-in.-dia ventilating pipe emerging from the portal is suspended from slings every 20 ft along the roof centerline. The contractor devised hangers using ½-in.-dia threaded rods, which are inserted in drill holes and held by Bethlehem Pacific expanding shells used for mine roof bolts.

Since early 1958 work has been underway on the first large contracts for a $54,000,000 bond-financed hydroelectric power project for the City and County of San Francisco. The project, which will provide for the city's future needs by supplementing the Hetch Hetchy system with two new power plants, was authorized by the electorate in 1955.

Work on the power tunnel for the Cherry Valley plant is the first phase of the project. The six-mile-long pressure tunnel takes water from Lake Lloyd, stored behind Cherry Valley Dam, to a point on the Cherry River near its confluence with the Tuolumne River. The 2,400-ft drop will develop a peak capacity of 135,000 kw. The Cherry plant is scheduled for operation by July 1960.

The contractor for the Cherry Power Tunnel is Cherry Tunnel Contractors, a joint venture consisting of the Guy F. Atkinson Company (the managing partner), the Arundel Corporation, and the L. E. Dixon Company. The entire project is under the direction of Harry E. Lloyd, manager and chief engineer of the Hetch Hetchy Water Supply, Power and Utilities Engineering Bureau for the City and County of San Francisco.

Improved Drinking Water An International Aim

Engineers who have worked in foreign countries and suffered the frequent illnesses attributable to impure water will be interested in a project of the World Health Organization for coordinated international research on drinking water quality. During the past year WHO has been assembling information on research currently underway and has now made available a listing of persons engaged in such research. The publication includes an alphabetical list of scientists, with their institutions and research topics. Revision of the listing at intervals of from three to six months is planned.

To make the listing as complete as possible WHO urges all who are engaged in research on drinking water quality to make sure that their projects are known so they may be included in future issues. Projects should be reported to Robert N. Clark, Chief Sanitary Engineering Adviser, Division of Environmental Sanitation, World Health Organization, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

Contract for Penstocks for Niagara Power Project

The Chicago Bridge & Iron Company has received the largest single peacetime order in its history—an $11,000,000 contract to design, fabricate, and erect thirteen penstocks for the Niagara Power Project. Each is 470 ft long, with a maximum diameter of 28½ ft. The penstocks will be fabricated in the company's Greenville, Pa., plant. The work will begin in January 1959 and be completed in October 1962.

The Niagara project, which is being constructed by the Power Authority of the State of New York, will utilize water diverted from the river about three miles above the Falls. The water will move through two underground conduits into an open canal and from there to the penstocks, which will funnel it 314 ft to feed thirteen generators at the project's main power station near Lewiston.

Arctic Construction Studied at ASTM Meeting

Storage of cold air in the winter for use in the summer and the construction of buildings on fill, with an air space between the building and fill, are two possible methods of combatting some of the many problems encountered by engineers in Arctic construction. At a recent meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials, an audience of some 250 engineers heard ASTM President Kenneth B. Woods, chairman of the Civil Engineering Department at Purdue University, relate his experiences in construction in the Arctic. At the session which was co-sponsored by ASCE and ASEE, Professor Woods showed the group slides of the great North illustrating the various engineering problems existing in that area.

Supply, one of the serious problems since a good road network does not exist in much of the area, was accomplished by air transport. Large transport planes were used to deliver construction equipment to the area while personnel and smaller supplies were flown in by helicopters and sea planes.

Settlement, one of the greatest problems in the areas of permafrost, is continuously combatted by the engineers. A method of building construction was developed, which proved satisfactory in resisting settlement. Special material not subject to frost action is used as fill and is placed about 5 to 7 ft deep on the site. Piles are then driven through the fill into the permafrost. Buildings are constructed in such a way that they are raised 2 ft or more above the top of the fill. This space is left open for air flow, thus reducing the amount of heat from the building that reaches the soil.

Another method of fighting the settlement consisted of placing large pipes (from 2 to 3 ft in diameter) under the construction site. These were designed so that they caught the cold air in the winter which was stored and used in the summer to resist the thawing action. Professor Woods informed the engineers that a small house, which might sell for $2,000 to $15,000 in the States, would cost about $30,000 to $40,000 in the Arctic because of the additional measures that would be needed as well as the increased cost of construction.

Among the characteristics needed by engineers to be successful in Arctic construction are perseverance and ingenuity. New ideas are continually needed to fight the ever-present weather conditions of the North.

Pilot Plant for Sea Water Conversion Ordered

The Southern California Edison Company has awarded a contract for pilot plant equipment that will convert sea water to fresh water at its Mandalay Steam Generation Plant under construction near Oxnard, Calif. The equipment will be designed and furnished by Cleaver-Brooks Special Products, Inc., of Waukesha, Wis. Overall cost of the project, including installation and experimental operation, will be over $250,000. Test work with the new equipment, which will have an output of about 100,000 gal per day, is expected to begin near the end of the summer. Water from the plant will be used to supply some of the station's fresh-water needs. The Mandalay station is scheduled to begin operation this spring.

Cleaver-Brooks is currently building the sea water evaporator for the nation's first atomic-powered aircraft.

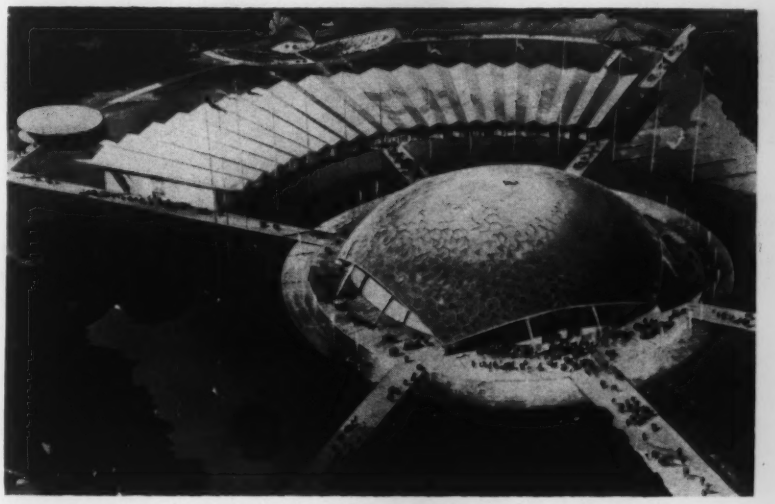
Brazil Steel Plant Job Goes to Kaiser Company

Early this year Brazil will start work on a huge steel plant, to be located at Piacaguera, north of Sao Paulo. Construction is being handled by the Heavy Construction Division of the Henry J. Kaiser Co., which has received a $170,000,000 award from the Companhia Siderurgica Paulista of Sao Paulo.

The plant will have an initial annual capacity of 330,750 tons of rolled steel products. It will include coal-handling facilities; 25 miles of railroad track; iron ore and limestone crushing and screening equipment; a sinter plant; 53 coke ovens; a blast furnace and two 60-ton processing furnaces; slab and plate mills and a 66-in. hot strip mill; and a 30,000-kw steam power plant.

Consulting engineering services will be provided by Kaiser Engineers, International, Inc., and Kaiser Engenharia Construcoes, Ltda.

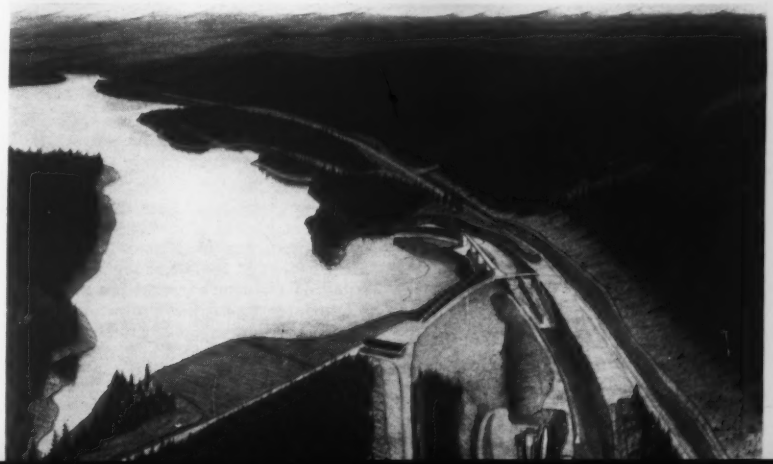
U. S. Exhibit at Moscow to Feature Aluminum Dome



Spectacular 200-ft-dia Kaiser Aluminum dome, the largest so far erected, will be a major feature of the United States cultural and industrial exhibition, to be held in Moscow, August 2-September 13. The dome will form approximately a quarter of a sphere made up of 1,100 diamond-shaped, gold-anodized panels, formed from aluminum sheet, and an equal number of aluminum struts. The dome will have a center height of 65 ft and provide a clear-span floor area of 30,000 sq ft. At the close of the exhibition, the dome and all the other buildings exhibited will be purchased by the Soviet Government. It is expected that the unique method of erecting the dome will afford the Russians an interesting demonstration of American engineering progress and industrial ingenuity. Erection of the dome will begin about April 15, under the direction of the Lydick Roofing Company, of Fort Worth, Tex. Welton Becket and Associates, of Los Angeles, are the architect-engineer for the project, and Richard R. Bradshaw is the consulting structural engineer. The geodesic dome has been patented by Buckminster Fuller.

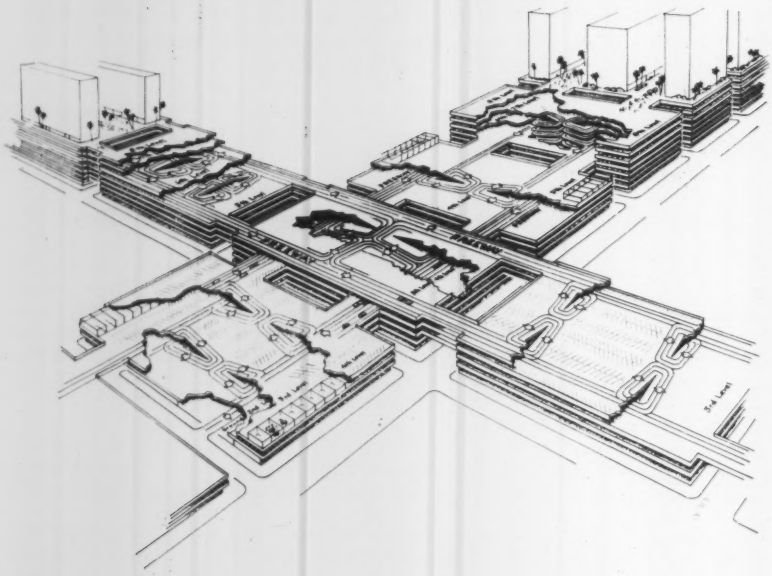
Army Awards Contract for Building Hanson Dam

The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers announces award of a construction contract for the $8,800,000 Howard A. Hanson Dam on the Green River near Seattle, Wash., to the joint-venture team of Henry J. Kaiser Company (as sponsor) and Raymond International, Inc. The project includes a rock, sand, and gravel dam with crest length of 730 ft and maximum height of 230 ft; a 900-ft-long concrete-lined tunnel, 19 ft in dia; and a 337-ft-long four-span outlet-works bridge. Completion of the entire project is scheduled for late 1962.



One Engineer's Idea of How Los Angeles Might Look

In the belief that the individual motorist should be able to take his automobile wherever he wishes E. M. Khoury, M. ASCE, consulting engineer of Canoga Park, Calif., has developed a rampless multi-story garage idea for the city-block structure that would enable a motorist to drive right to his office in the downtown area without encountering a single traffic light en route. Though Mr. Khoury has applied his plan to the Los Angeles freeways, he emphasizes that it would be equally suitable for any downtown urban area with a similar problem. The great advantage of his plan, he believes, is that it would offer minimum interference with existing utilities or streets during construction. Once the new system is in effect, it will supplement existing streets, leaving them free for bus, truck, and other slower traffic. Mr. Khoury feels his idea has sufficient merit to attract private capital for the construction.



Chicago to Improve Water Main System

A $7,750,000 water-main construction program, with the accent on improved service and fire protection, is underway in Chicago. Mayor Richard Daley announces that $1,186,000 of the Water Distribution Division's budget has been earmarked for laying fire-protection mains and completing the replacement of small-capacity mains and fire hydrants with larger units. About $750,000 will be spent in 1959 to speed the change-over of most of the 1,800 remaining 2½- and 4-in.-dia city hydrants to 4½-in. high-flow hydrants. When this project is completed by 1961, all 45,000 city fire hydrants will be uniform Chicago-type.

The city's 1959 construction program also provides for 30 miles of water mains, to be built at a cost of $4,500,000. More than five miles of these mains will be at least 24 in. in diameter.

Current outlays are part of a $39,954,000 five-year capital improvement program initiated to improve the efficiency of the city's water-distribution system. Sometime during the year first contracts will be let for the proposed $3,000,000 Southwest Pumping Station. This ultra-modern new plant will have a capacity of 275 mgd.

N. G. Neare's COLUMN

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The February Meeting of the Engineers Club of Esseyeville convened a week later than usual so that the regulars would be back from the Dodgerville Convention, but Professor Neare didn't make it.

"Saw him last," said Joe Kerr, "at the Dizzyland Jamboree on Wednesday."

"He's still there," explained Sauer Doe, "looking for new puzzle ideas in the maze, but he asked me to carry on as Guest Professor and to ask Joe what a beer is worth in Alaska."

"Well, my Uncle Vic was there January 3 for the celebration and beer was on the house. The next evening he looked in at Buck's Quarters, where, as you said, each customer smacked down a buck or a quarter on the bar and paid that for his beer only if Buck guessed his coin. But while he watched, Buck always guessed a quarter and was right, so that's what a beer costs."

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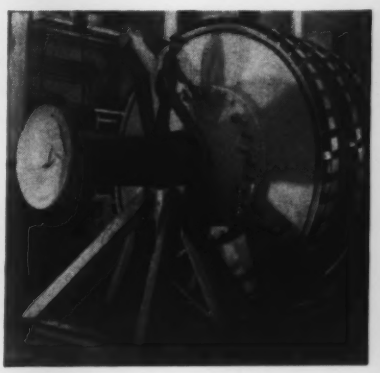

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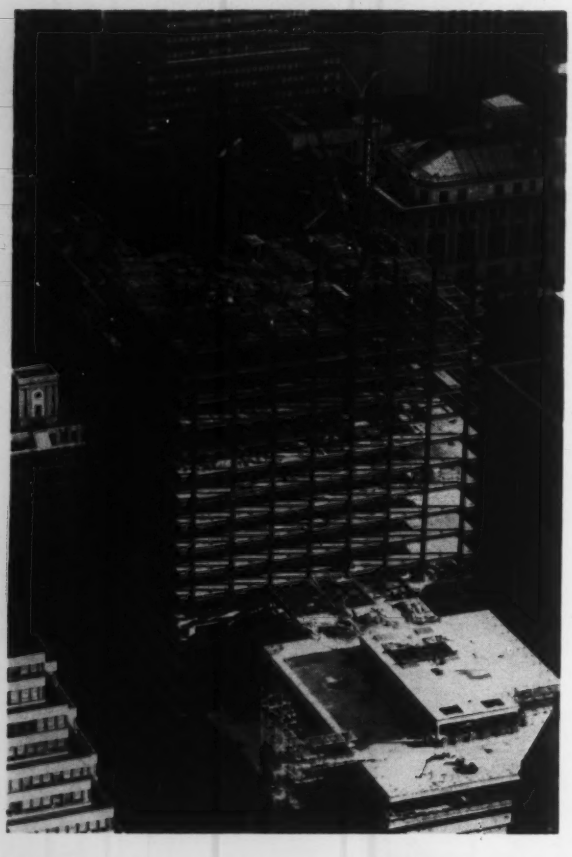
Steel Erection for Union Carbide Skyscraper Nears Completion



Steel erection for Union Carbide's 52-story tower headquarters building nears topping out. Some 30,000 tons of structural steel are being used for the building, which will be the tallest on Park Avenue and the largest curtain-wall building ever constructed. The most intricate feature of construction was the placing of 115 steel columns into bedrock between two levels of the New Haven and New York Central Railroad tracks that handle over 500 trains a day. Erection of the steel on the 12-story section fronting on Madison Avenue behind the tower started in January 1958, and topping out by the American Bridge Division of the United States Steel Corporation is on schedule for final completion of the building in early 1960. Skidmore, Owings and Merrill are the architects, and Weiskopf and Pickworth the structural engineers. Both are New York City firms.

your Uncle Vic," guessed Cal Klater. "Sourdoughs gamble a buck now and then and usually win a free drink. Unless Buck guesses a buck now and then, they'd always play bucks and beer would be free. Suppose p is the proportion of times the sourdough plays a buck and q the proportion of times Buck guesses a buck, so that 1-p and 1-q are the respective proportions for quarters. Then the average price of a beer in cents is

$$B = 100pq + 25\,(1\text{-}p)\,(1\text{-}q)$$
$$= 20 + 5\,(5p\text{-}1)\,(5q\text{-}1)$$

Now if either p or q is 0.2, a beer is worth just 20 cents. If the sourdough plays a buck one-fifth of the time he will average 20 cents per beer, no matter how Buck guesses. Likewise if Buck guesses a buck one-fifth of the time he will collect 20 cents per beer by the same law of averages, no matter how the sourdoughs play."

"Quite so," agreed the Guest Professor. "Actually Buck does a little better by being psychic, reading high stakes in nervous eyes and the way a hand is cramped to hide iron money. Now that we understand the principle of a mathematical game in its simplest form—one item and two prices—let's try a sequel with two items and three prices.

"The items are melons, designated as Grade *A* and Grade *B*, which look exactly alike but can be recognized by plugging to reveal the inner color. Andy, the melon merchant, buys them separately in any desired proportion, paying 3 cents apiece for *A* and 2 cents for *B*, but mixes them thoroly before offering them for sale.

"The three prices are really 'purchase plans,' designated as *P*, *Q* and *R*, for *plug*, *quality* and *random* respectively, at the option of the patron. By Plan *P*, the patron selects and plugs a melon so as to determine its quality, then pays 5 cents if it's Grade *A* and 3 cents if it's *B*. By Plan *Q*, the patron selects and plugs until he obtains one Grade *A* melon, then pays 7 cents for the lot selected. By Plan *R*, the patron selects a melon at random and pays 4 cents. All being shrewd traders, how much should Andy be able to make on a lot of 700 melons?"

[*Cal Klaters were S. K. Rueball (Keith Jones), Ed. C. Holt Jr., and Richard Jenney. Guest Professor Sauer Doe is Marvin A. Larson. Also acknowledged are solutions of the November problem of the magic cubes from Walter J. Tudor, G. C. Vytlacil, G. Nyuss (R. M. Dodds), and John A. Tweed.*]

1959 Proclaimed Water Works Year in Illinois

Governor William G. Stratton has proclaimed 1959 Water Works Year in Illinois in tribute to the state's water works personnel during the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the Illinois section of the American Water Works Association. The proclamation also calls attention to the need for the support of planned water works development by citizens and civic leaders.

The first conference of Illinois water works men took place fifty years ago this February at the University of Illinois. Attended by 37 water works officials interested in "obtaining and conserving an abundant supply of pure water for domestic use," the meeting marked the establishment of the Illinois Water Supply Association. Five years later this group affiliated with the AWWA as its Illinois section.

The section will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary with a meeting, set for March 11-13, at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago. The three-day program will include many aspects of water supply, distribution, and treatment.

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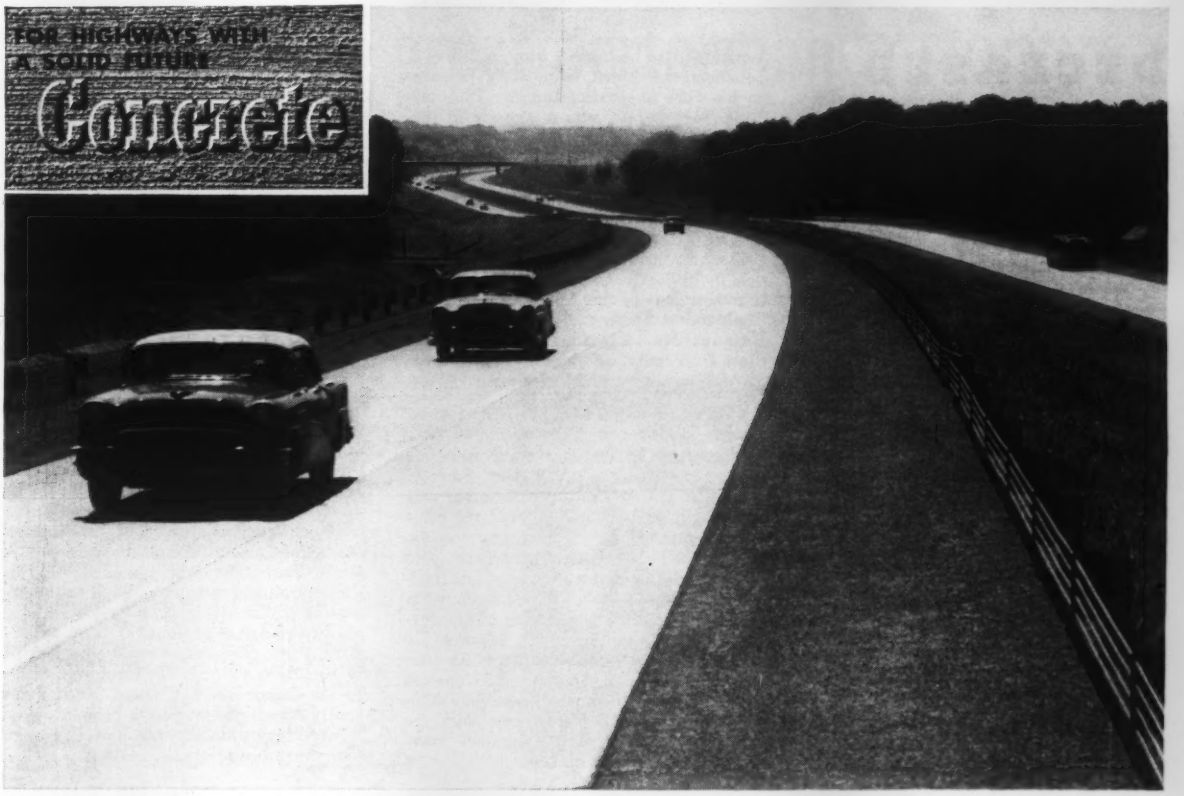

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Arthur Rich Alling (M. '23), age 70, partner in the Alling Blue Print Company of San Antonio, Tex., died there recently. Mr. Alling, a graduate of the University of Colorado, formed the company bearing his name in the early 1920's. Previously he had been employed as principal assistant engineer with the Pulaski Road Improvement District No. 10 in Arkansas.

William J. Anderson (M. '47), age 71, retired district engineer for the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, died in Hartford, Conn., on October 20. Shortly after graduating from Union College with a degree in civil engineering, Mr. Anderson became an engineer with the Bureau. During World War II, he was on loan to the War Department as a consulting engineer to the American Military Government in Germany. In 1950, the year of his retirement, he rounded out thirty years of service as engineer for the Bureau in Connecticut.

Percy R. Banister (M. '52), age 66, consulting engineer and partner in the Banister Engineering Company, St. Paul, Minn., died November 19, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Mr. Banister was a graduate of the University of Minnesota and the University of California. Before founding his own company, he was construction engineer and assistant engineer for the Ramsey County engineers' office in Minnesota.

John S. Bates (M. '23), age 81, consulting engineer of Berkeley, Calif., died on September 11. A graduate of the University of Illinois, Mr. Bates spent his entire career in the field of municipal work. Prior to entering private practice in the mid-30's, he had been assistant bridge designing engineer for the California Department of Public Works. In 1934, he was state representative on the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. Mr. Bates was author of several magazine articles on municipal improvements.

C. Glenn Cappel, Former Director of ASCE, Dies

C. Glenn Cappel (M. '24), age 66, vice-president of the W. Horace Williams Company, a division of Williams-McWilliams Industries, Inc., New Orleans, La., died in that city on December 12. During World War II Mr. Cappel was in direct charge for his company of the construction of numerous Army and Navy projects including the Naval Air Station at Houma. For the latter project he received the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Award. Other honors to him included a Certificate of Merit from New Orleans for his work in revising the city Building Code. Mr. Cappel was a pioneer in the design of offshore drilling platforms and wharfage facilities. He also gained wide renown for devising the method by which his firm moved the old Charity Hospital Building instead of demolishing it. He was a Director of ASCE from 1948 to 1950, and president of the Louisiana Section in 1946. Mr. Cappel was also a two-time recipient of the ASCE Construction Engineering Prize for articles in CIVIL ENGINEERING. A graduate of Louisiana State University, he was a special lecturer at the University of Mississippi.

C. Glenn Cappel

Morgan Cilley (M. '36), 77, retired Episcopal minister of Lewisburg, W. Va., died on June 29, 1955, though word of his death has just reached the Society. Reverend Cilley was an astronomer and civil engineer before he entered the ministry. While engaged in civil engineering, he served as an engineer on such projects as the building of the Pennsylvania Railroad tunnels under the Hudson River in New York, and on Government engineering work in the Philippine Islands. He was also supervising engineer for the Lehigh University campus improvements in 1907, and for many years was connected with the Public Roads Administration as U. S. assistant engineer. Reverend Cilley retired in 1940.

Wayne F. Davis (A.M. '49), age 53, assistant professor of civil engineering at the University of Oklahoma, died recently. Professor Davis had been teaching at the University since 1946, specializing in courses in plane surveying and route surveying, and in highway materials. Shortly after graduating from Oklahoma A. & M. in the early 1930's, Professor Davis served as inspector and, then, as construction superintendent for the Oklahoma State Highway Commission. More recently he was assistant city engineer for Oklahoma City, Okla. He was secretary-treasurer of the Oklahoma Section and faculty adviser of the Student Chapter of the university.

Abraham Epstein (M. '30), age 70, president of A. Epstein and Sons, Inc., of Chicago, Ill., died there on December 7. Mr. Epstein was the architect of the International Ampitheatre, the Borg-Warner Corporation office building and many other commercial structures in Chicago, including the reconstruction work after the fire in the Stock Yards in 1934. He worked as engineer and architect for the National Fireproofing Company, Marshall and Fox, and the Central Manufacturing District until 1921, when he entered private practice. Mr. Epstein graduated from the University of Illinois college of engineering in 1911.

W. J. Farrisee (M. '37), age 60, since 1955 dean of men and professor of engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N. J., died there on November 30. Mr. Farrisee previously was dean of men for Clarkson College of Technology at Potsdam, N. Y. He graduated in 1921 from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and taught for a year at the University of Illinois before going to Clarkson, where he remained for thirty-one years.

Alfred P. Hughes, Jr. (J.M. '54), age 25, a recent civil engineering graduate of Lehigh University, died recently as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. At the time of his death, Mr. Hughes was research engineer for Jet Propulsion Laboratories at Pasadena, Calif. His first job was as engineering draftsman with the American Bridge Division, of U. S. Steel at Ambridge, Pa.

Robert C. Hunter (M. '46), age 70, retired Colonel, died in Sacramento, Calif., November 13. Colonel Hunter was the Sacramento District engineer for the United States Army Corps of Engineers during the years of World War II, in which capacity he was responsible for large construction projects at installations in central California, Nevada and western Utah. Later, he was assigned to the Philippines and was in charge of engineering for the final big push in 1945 which led to the defeat of Japan. On his retirement from the army in 1947 he served as executive officer of the California State Lands Commission. Colonel Hunter recently completed writing a book of medieval history which members of his family plan to publish.

Charles Jensen (A.M. '46), age 63, civil engineer with Sullivan & Hoebel, of Chattanooga, Tenn., died there recently. Prior to joining Sullivan & Hoebel in 1957, he had been employed by the Tennessee Valley Authority for over twenty years, working in the highway and railroad division. In more recent years, he was responsible for the design of site grading, storm drainage, railroad yards, and related work for the Kingston Steam Plant. During the past year Mr. Jensen had worked on the planning and design of some of the new superhighways in the Chattanooga area. He was a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Frank R. Lewis (M. '21), age 85, retired surveyor and civil engineer, of Kaufman, Tex., died there on December 3. Mr. Lewis worked with the U. S. Government surveying the Indian Territory of Oklahoma before it was admitted to statehood. After leaving government service, he entered private practice as a civil engineer, maintaining the practice until his retirement a few years ago. Mr. Lewis graduated from Texas A. & M. College in 1894.

Louis B. Litchfield (M. '51), age 58, assistant project engineer and associate of Metcalf and Eddy of Boston, Mass., died recently at Lamoine, Me. A graduate of the University of New Hampshire in 1923, he was with the Maine State Highway Commission for most of his career, retiring in 1951 as division engineer. Since then he had been with Metcalf and Eddy as design and project engineer in Green-

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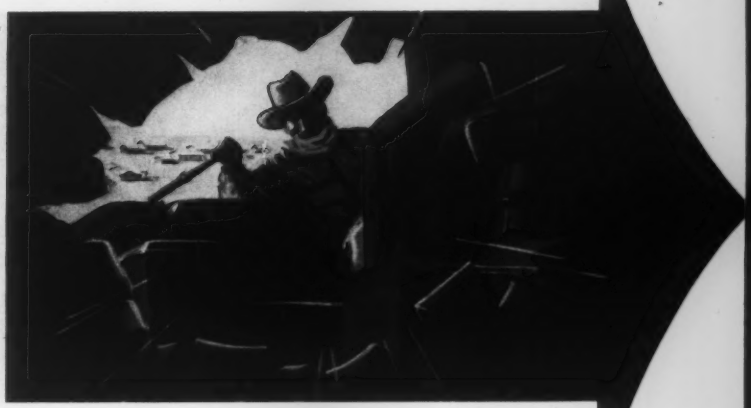

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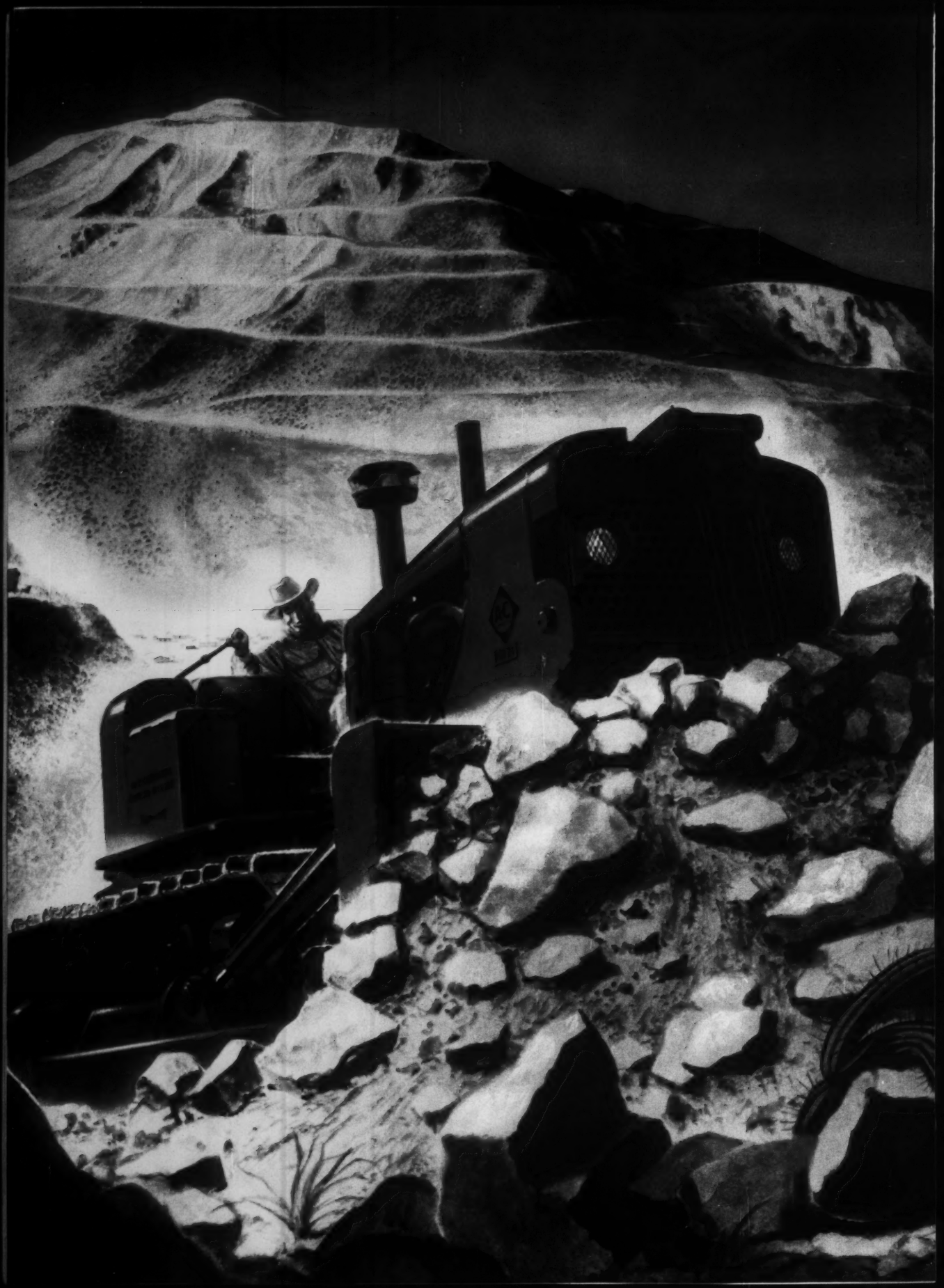

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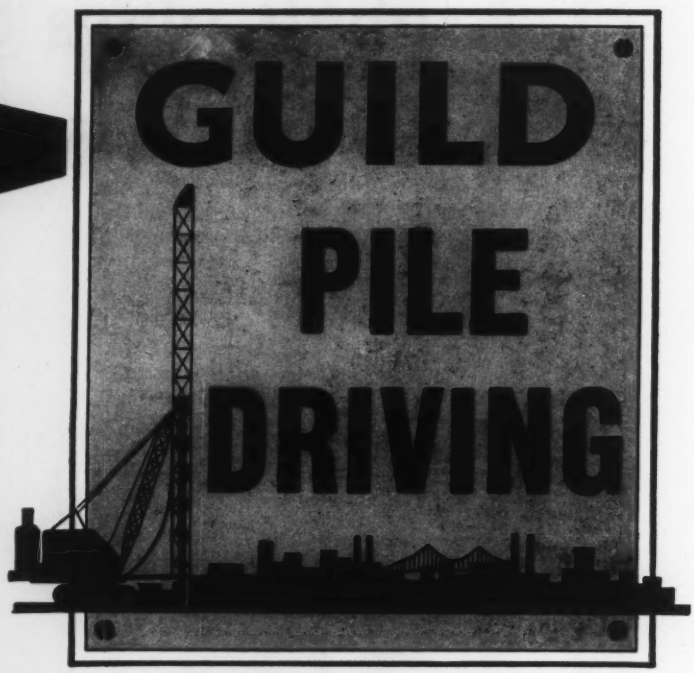

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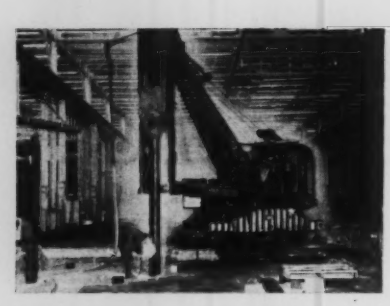

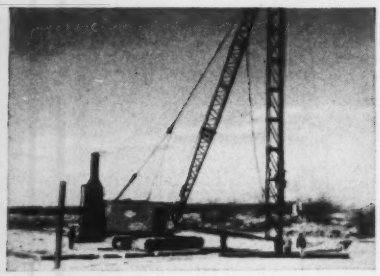

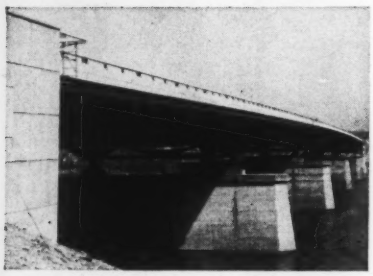

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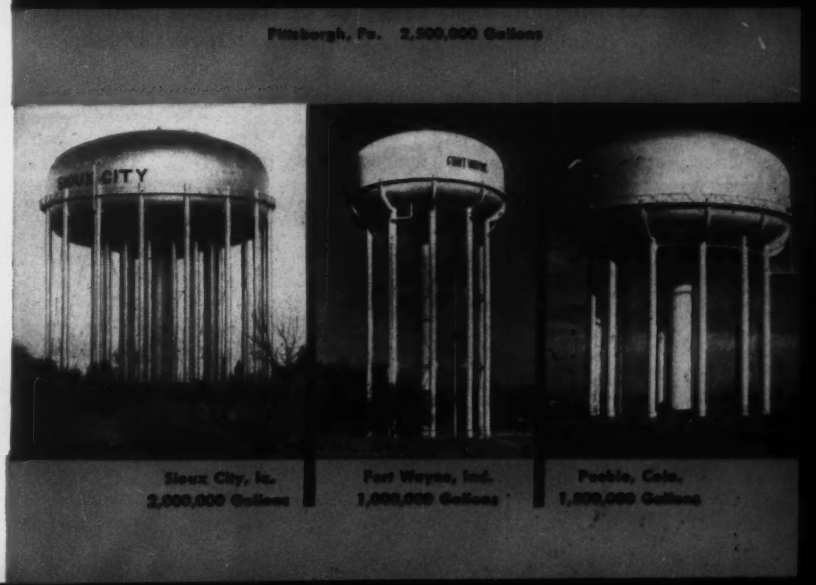

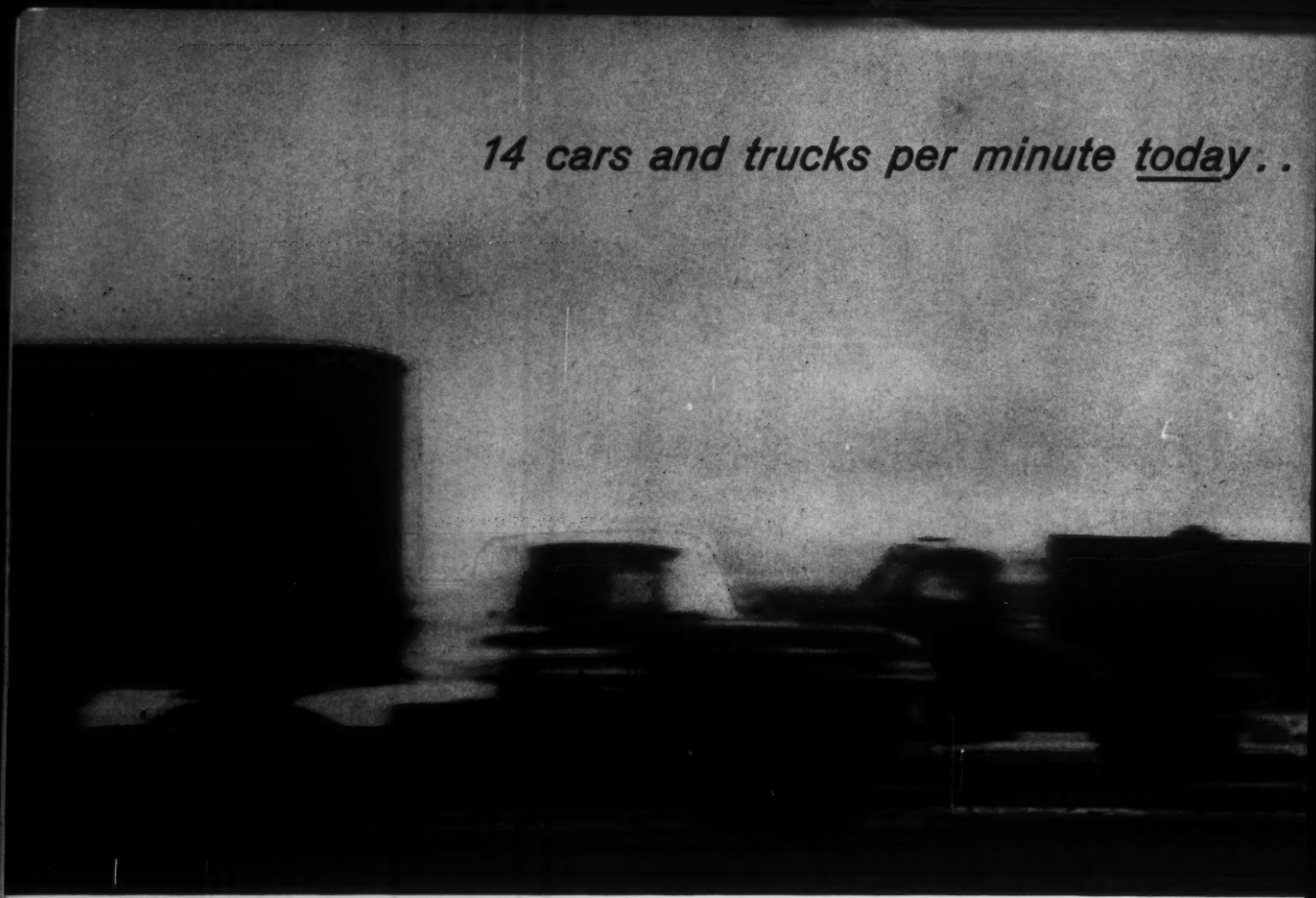

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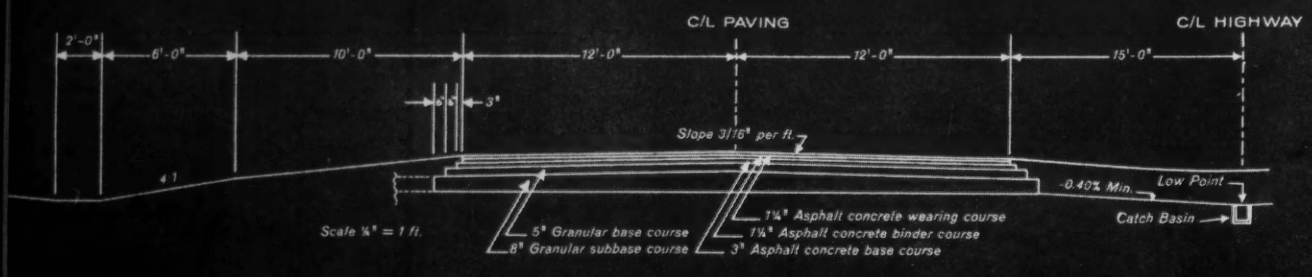

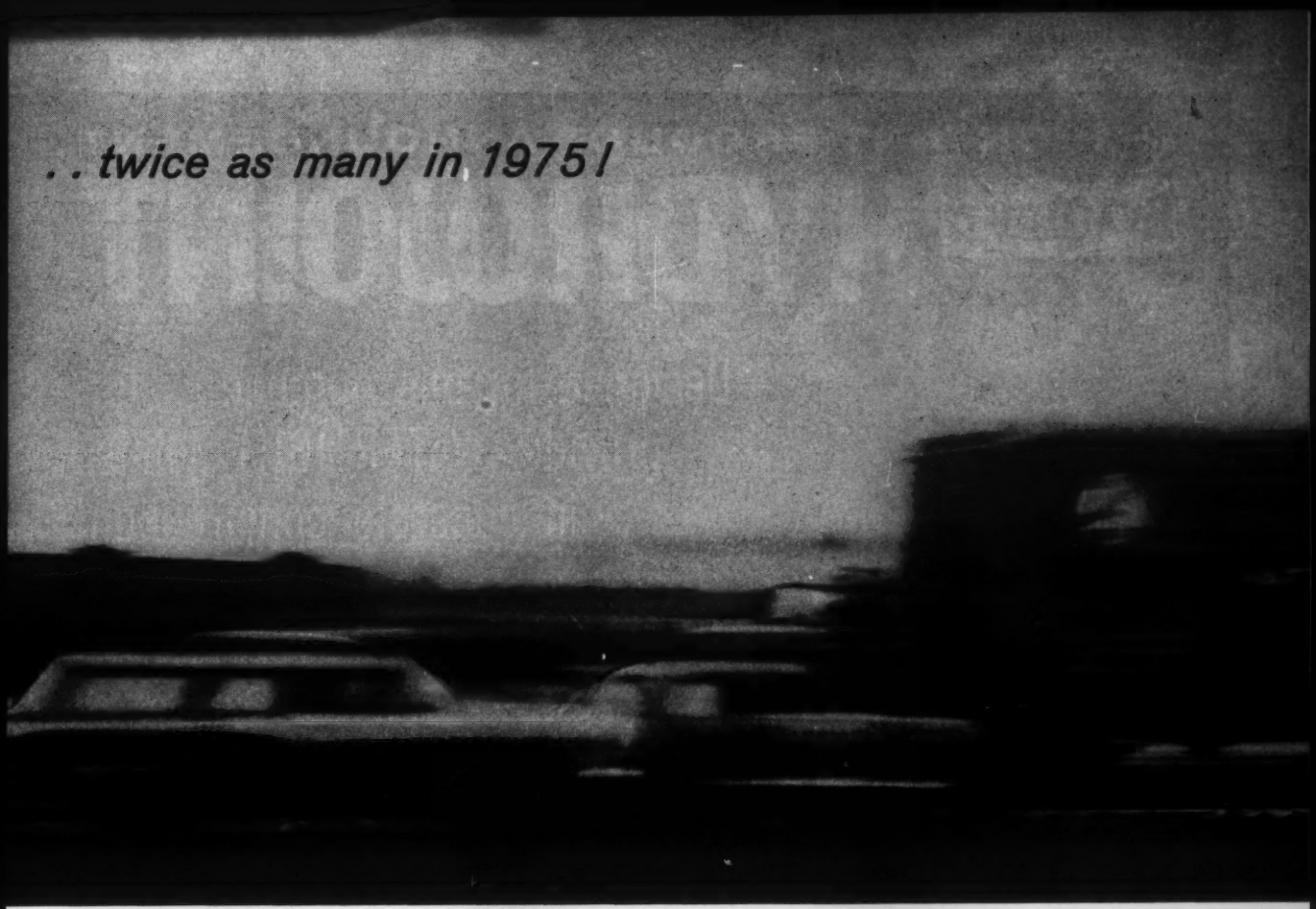

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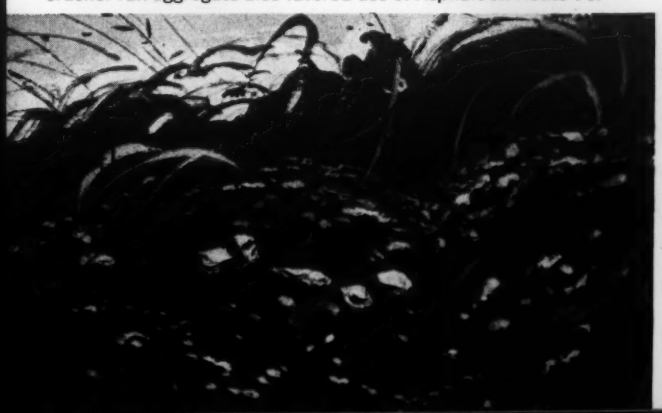

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land, Spain, Labrador and Alaska. During World War II he served in the Civil Engineer Corps of the U. S. Naval Reserve, attached to various units of the Seabees in this country and in England, Scotland and Alaska.

Alfred M. Lund (M. '17), age 78, retired civil engineer, of Little Rock, Ark., died there on October 31. A graduate of Vanderbilt University, he had been a civil engineer in Little Rock for many years prior to his retirement three years ago. He was well known as a civic leader and for his engineering services on many local projects. Mr. Lund served in the Corps of Engineers as a major in World War I.

Reginald A. McFarland (M. '54), age 58, head of the department of civil engineering at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Ruston, La., died there on September 9. Professor McFarland, fondly known as "Mr. Mac," was one of the pioneers in engineering education at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute. He joined the teaching staff in 1926, and in 1928 was named head of the Department of Civil Engineering, a post he filled for thirty years.

Earle F. Miles (A.M. '45), age 53, engineer and land surveyor at Cuero, Tex., died on October 20. Early in his career Mr. Miles specialized in the design and supervision of construction of water and sewer plants and systems for several cities of Texas. He had also done engineering work on a four-year Federal Aid Improvement Program amounting to $1,200,000. More recently, Mr. Miles had been engaged as a surveyor for the Skelly Oil Company, of Tulsa, Okla. He was a graduate of Texas A. & M. College.

Harold W. Mutch (M. '47), age 63, retired construction engineer for the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, and resident of Long Beach, Calif., died there recently. Mr. Mutch served the Bureau for over thirty-five years as supervisor, planner, and construction engineer on various irrigation and reclamation projects. One of his first jobs for the Bureau was as assistant engineer on the Salt Lake Basin Project in Utah. Later he was associate engineer on the Ogden River Project in Utah and, more recently, acting project engineer on the Missouri Basin Project in Montana.

Asa G. Proctor (M. '35), consulting engineer of Woodland, Calif., died recently. He had served as county surveyor of Yolo County and city engineer of Woodland for over forty years. Mr. Proctor was a past president of the Sacramento Section, and president since 1953 of the California State Board of Registration for Civil and Professional Engineers. Appointed to the Registration Board by Governor James Rolph in January 1932, he was reappointed by five succeeding governors

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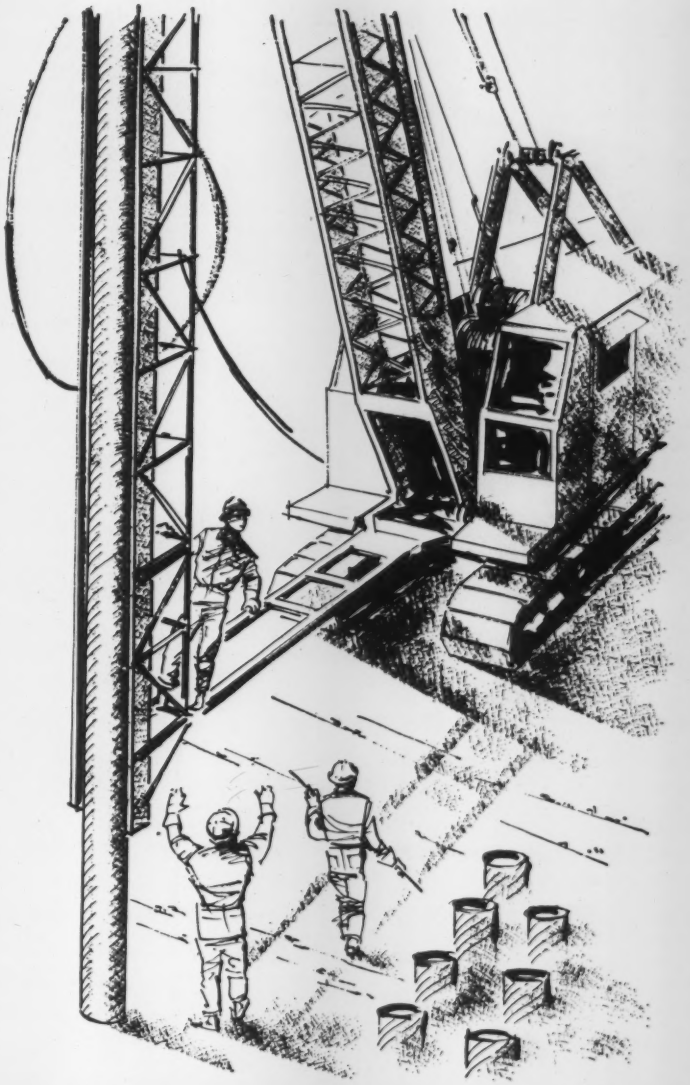

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and served twenty-seven years. Eight days before his death the Engineering Council of Sacramento Valley awarded him a citation for "many years of technical and professional leadership among engineers of the community and the state."

John P. Redwood (M. '30), age 62, consultant for public utilities in New York City, died there on September 23. A graduate of Cornell University, Mr. Redwood specialized in water supply systems, sewerage works, and water power projects. Prior to entering private practice in 1951, he had served for over fifteen years with the New York State Public Service Commission as inspector, assistant, hydraulic engineer, and associate rate case analyst. Mr. Redwood had also been engineer for the Erie County Water Authority and consulting engineer for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Theodore Schwartz (A.M. '54), age 39, owner, Ted Schwartz, engineering contractor, of Grass Valley, Calif., died recently. He was a graduate of the University of California with a B. S. in civil engineering. Mr. Schwartz had been a resident of Grass Valley since 1946, when he became resident engineer there for the Nevada Irrigation District in charge of the reconstruction of French Lake Dam. In 1947 he went into private practice.

William J. Steinmetz (A.M. '24), age 65, structural engineer for the Corps of Engineers, at Los Angeles, Calif., died recently. He was a graduate of the University of Colorado with a B. S. in civil engineering. As designer and principal office assistant for the Long Beach Harbor Department for many years, Mr. Steinmetz designed a $1,250,000 bulkhead for the harbor.

Robert Patton White (M. '47), age 61, supervisory general engineer for the Eastern Design and Construction Office of the National Park Service, with headquarters at Philadelphia, Pa., died there on November 30. A graduate of West Virginia University with a B. S. in civil engineering, he started his career with the National Park Service in 1931. Prior to becoming supervisory general engineer in 1954, he was park engineer and assistant park superintendent for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Jackson H. Wilkinson (M. '42), age 66, who retired in 1957 from the Tennessee Valley Authority, died suddenly in Knoxville, Tenn., on November 29. Mr. Wilkinson received his B. S. and M. S. in civil engineering from the University of Illinois. He was a veteran of World War I, having served as an officer in Panama and in this country. Except for a few years of bridge design and construction in his home state of Illinois, his life work was in the fields of hydraulics and hydrology. During the last twenty years of his professional activities, he developed the procedure and was in charge of river forecasting for operations of the TVA multipurpose system.

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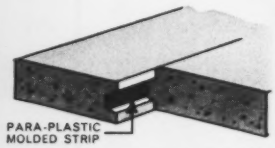

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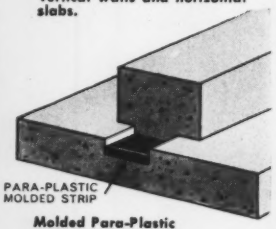

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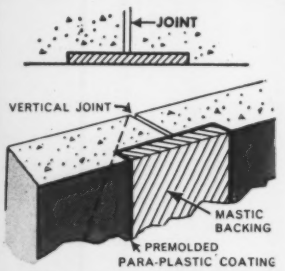

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American Concrete Institute. Annual meeting at the Statler Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif., February 23-26. Information available from Charles L. Cousins, ACI, P. O. Box 4754, Redford Station, Detroit 19, Mich.

American Society for Metals. Eleventh Western Metal Exposition and Congress at the Pan-Pacific Auditorium and Ambassador Hotel, in Los Angeles, Calif., March 16-20. For reservations write Ray T. Bayless, Assistant Secretary, 7301 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland 3, Ohio.

American Society of Photogrammetry—American Congress on Survey & Mapping. 1959 ASP-ACSM Consecutive Meetings at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D. C., March 8-14. Reservations may be made through the Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street, N. W., Washington 8, D. C. For additional information on the meetings contact: John H. Wickham, Jr., Director 1959 ASP-ACSM Consecutive Meetings, 610 Montgomery Street, Alexandria, Va.

Engineers Joint Council. 1959 Nuclear Congress at the Public Auditorium in Cleveland, Ohio, April 5-10. EJC is the coordinating agency for the Congress. For additional information write EJC, 29 West 39th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

Georgia Institute of Technology. Eighth annual Georgia Highway Conference at the Institute, March 9-10. Address inquiries to Richard Wiegand, Director, Short Courses & Conferences, Engineering Extension Division, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Ga.

Louisiana State University. Twenty-second Annual Short Course for Superintendents and Operators of Water and Sewerage Systems at the University, March 18-20. For additional information write to the University at Baton Rouge, La.

National Society of Professional Engineers. Winter professional meeting at the Dinkler-Tutwiler Hotel, Birmingham, Ala., February 18-21. For further information write Kenneth E. Trombley, NSPE, 2029 K Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C., or call Federal 7-2211.

University of Colorado. Thirty-second Annual Colorado Highway Engineering Conference sponsored by the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., March 5-6. Write Roderick L. Downing, Chairman, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo.

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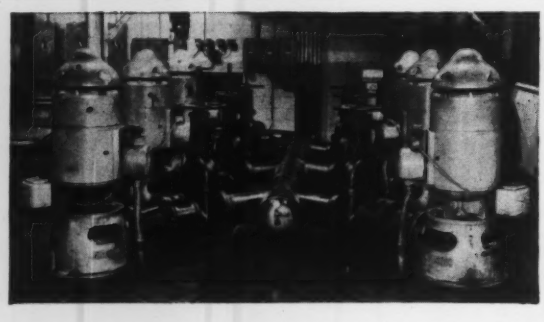

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News of Engineers

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Archie N. Carter, for the past two years vice president and treasurer of Lindsey, Carter & Associates, Inc., consulting engineers and land surveyors, has been appointed president and treasurer of the firm under the new name of Carter, Krueger & Associates, Inc. The firm is presently planning new street projects, sewage treatment plants, water supply facilities, and other municipal improvements for numerous cities and villages in Minnesota. Work by the company in these major fields of civil engineering will continue in its new offices at 3381 Gorham Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

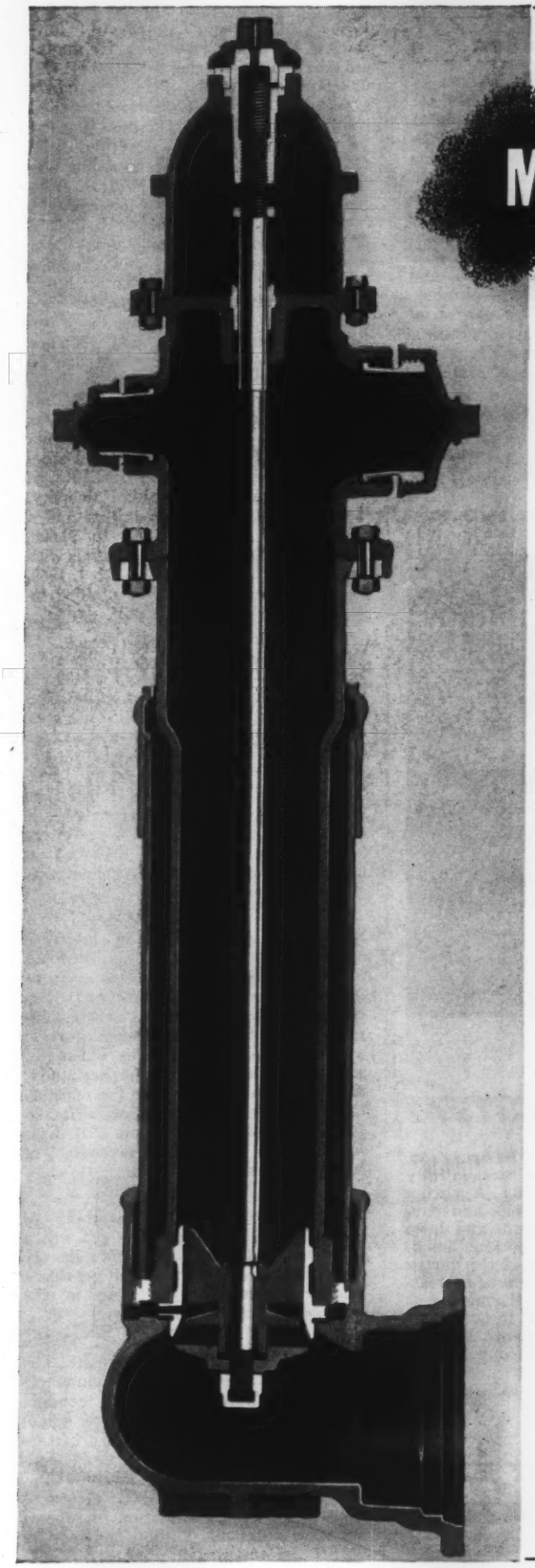
Albert Edward Stoltz, retired Colonel, U. S. Air Force, Academy Construction Agency, Colorado Springs, Colo., was honored recently with the Distinguished Service Medal, the nation's highest peacetime award, in a ceremony at the Academy. Colonel Stoltz directed supervision of all planning, designing, and building of the Academy.

Nicholas F. Forell, structural engineer of San Francisco, Calif., has formed a partnership with William M. Gillis. Mr. Forell has been associated with the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation in Denver, Colo.; Sverdrup and Parcel, consulting engineers of San Francisco; and John Lyon Reid & Partners, where he was senior engineer.

Charles Abramovitz has been admitted to partnership in the firm of Ralph L. Woolpert Company, consulting engineers of Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Abramovitz has had experience in design and supervision of subdivision developments. He teaches sanitary engineering courses at the University of Dayton.

Gordon M. Flammer has joined the civil engineering staff at Utah State University as an assistant professor. Mr. Flammer received his B. S. and M. S. degrees from Utah State and his Ph. D. degree from the University of Minnesota. He also worked at the University of Minnesota three years on research at the St. Anthony Falls Hydraulic Laboratory.

Franklin O. Rose is civil engineering consultant for a two-year term at the Ahsanullah Engineering College in Dacca, East Pakistan, as part of a contract the Texas A. & M. College has with the International Cooperation Administration. Mr. Rose spent the academic year 1957-1958 teaching at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, after completing a similar assignment for that institution at the Birla College of Engineering in Pilani, India. Mr. Rose announces that his son, **John S. Rose,** was recently appointed by Buck, Seifert and Jost, consulting engineers of New York, as resident engineer on the $8,000,000 water supply project and treatment plant at Sturgeon Point, on Lake Erie, which the firm had designed for the Erie County Water Commission.



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ference, February 24-26. Eleventh Annual Illinois Traffic Engineering Conference, February 26-27. Both at the University's Urbana campus. Information from the University.

University of Utah. Twentieth Annual Highway Conference sponsored by the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, March 3-4. Information from Grant K. Borg, Head, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Fellowships Open . . . The *Bureau of Highway Traffic at Yale University* announces fellowships will be available to qualified graduate engineers for the 1959-60 academic year. They provide a living stipend of $1,400, plus a tuition fee of $800. The Bureau also offers tuition scholarships to municipal and state highway engineers receiving financial aid from their employers while doing the graduate work. Applications for admission and additional information may be obtained from Fred W. Hurd, Director, Bureau of Highway Traffic, Yale University, Strathcona Hall, New Haven, Conn. The closing date for filing applications is March 1, 1959 . . . *Tau Beta Pi* announces fellowships of $1,500 each, available for graduate study in engineering during the 1959-60 school year. All Tau Peta Pi members are eligible. Applications must be mailed by February 28, 1959. Letters from at least two members of the faculty must be filed in support of application. For further information write to Paul H. Robbins, Director of Fellowships, 2029 K Street, N. W. Washington 6, D. C. . . . The annual search for outstanding students to receive *Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Fellowships* for graduate study in astronautics, rockets, jet propulsion and flight structures has been launched by the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Foundation. Eighteen to twenty fellowships will be given for study during 1959-60 at the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Jet Propulsion Centers at Princeton University and California Institute of Technology, and the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Institute of Flight Structures at Columbia University. The fellowships provide a tuition and a stipend ranging from $1,500 to $2,000. Applicants must file their credentials with the university selected by March 1, 1959. Successful candidates will be notified by April 1.

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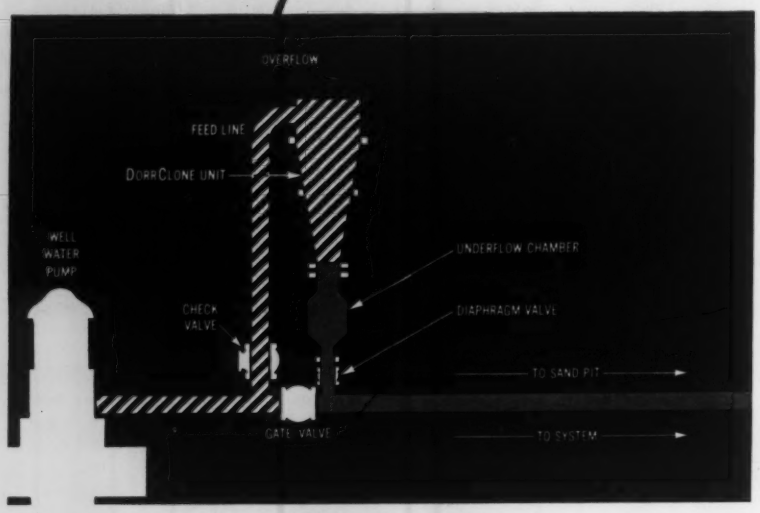

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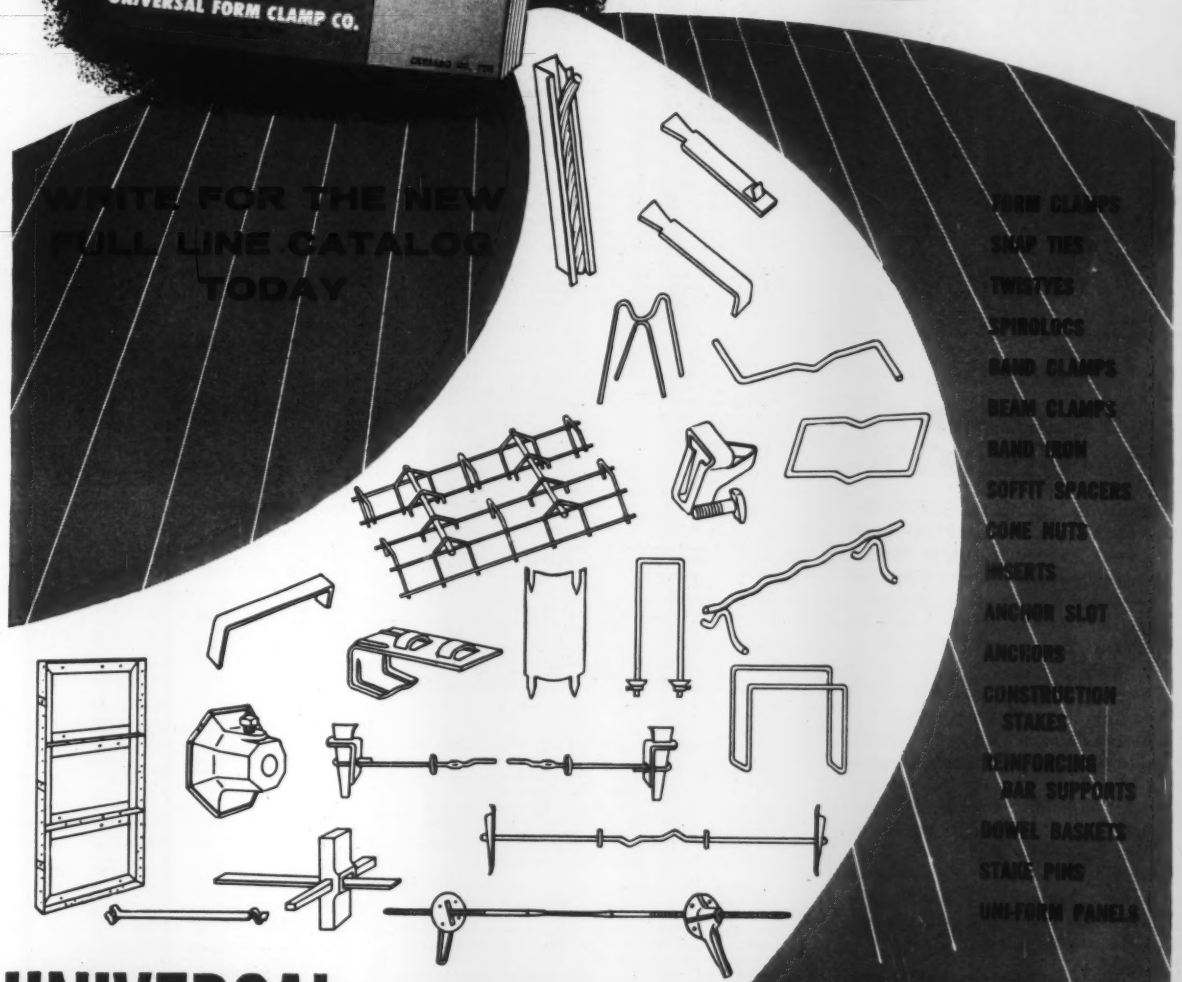

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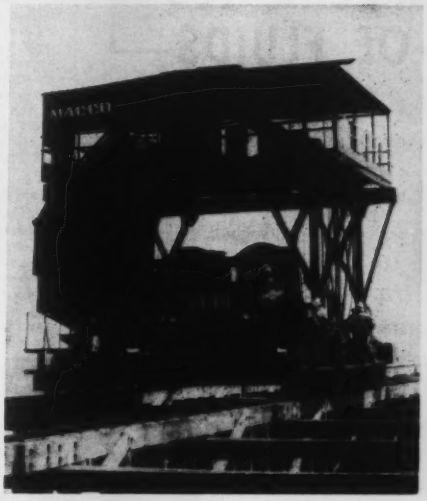

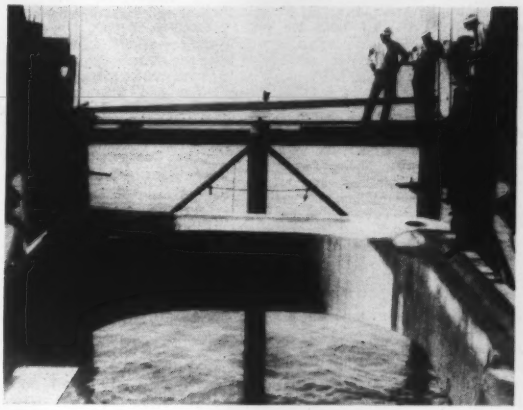

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Man the Maker

A history of technology and engineering in which power resources, transportation, communication, metallurgy, textiles, glass, chemical technology and some aspects of civil engineering are covered. The inventions of prehistory, of the Ancient East, the Greeks and Romans, the Arabs, the Middle Ages, the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, the Industrial Revolution, and the modern era are also discussed, as are the relationships of the inventors to each period. (By R. J. Forbes. Abelard-Schuman, Inc., 404 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y., 1958. 365 pp., bound. $5.00.)

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Fourth Edition

A manual providing a wide variety of tables and methods of calculation used in structural design. This edition contains entirely new information on concrete joist, slabs, flat slabs, stirrups, concrete columns, footings, and retaining walls. The steel beam tables are entirely revised and new tables have been added on long span joist, compound sections, and fireproofing. (By Jack Singleton. H. M. Ives & Sons, Inc., P.O. Box 1396, Topeka, Kan. 1957. 272 pp., bound. No price given.)

Nuclear Reactors for Power Generation

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The Practice of Sanitation
Third Edition

A text that provides a guide to environmental sanitation for health officers, nurses, and students in sanitary engineering. In this edition the following chapters have been completely rewritten: food sanitation, milk and milk products, public water supplies, urban and rural sewage disposal, stream pollution, housing, air pollution, and industrial sanitation. (By Edward S. Hopkins and William H. Schulze. The Williams & Wilkins Company, Mount Royal Avenue, Baltimore 2, Md., 1958. 487 pp., bound. $8.00.)

The Contemporary Curtain Wall: Its Design, Fabrication, and Erection

A manual covering various aspects of curtain wall systems. It analyzes and evaluates the walls, their functions and malfunctions, component parts, materials and installations. Tables and lists give known data on insulating efficiency, fire resistance, dimensional stability, and similar factors. Pitfalls are pointed out, known solutions outlined, and accepted good practice specified. Many drawings are given to show construction details, and photographs are included to illustrate contemporary examples of the curtain wall. (By William Dudley Hunt, Jr. F. W. Dodge Corp., 119 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y., 1958. 462 pp., bound. $12.75.)

New in Education

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the teachers will be paid from these funds. Application should be made to J. A. Greenlee, 12 Beardshear Hall, Iowa State College.

Reactors for Peace . . . The *Atomic Energy Commission* has approved grants totaling $2,264,965 to 41 universities and colleges for the purchase of laboratory equipment to expand nuclear education programs in the physical sciences and engineering. Seven engineering institutions will use their funds for the purchase of teaching reactors. These institutions are the University of Illinois, Kansas State College, University of Maryland, University of Texas, University of Washington, West Virginia University, and University of Wisconsin. The awards mark the fifth in a series of grants under the Commission's program to train men for the atomic energy field.

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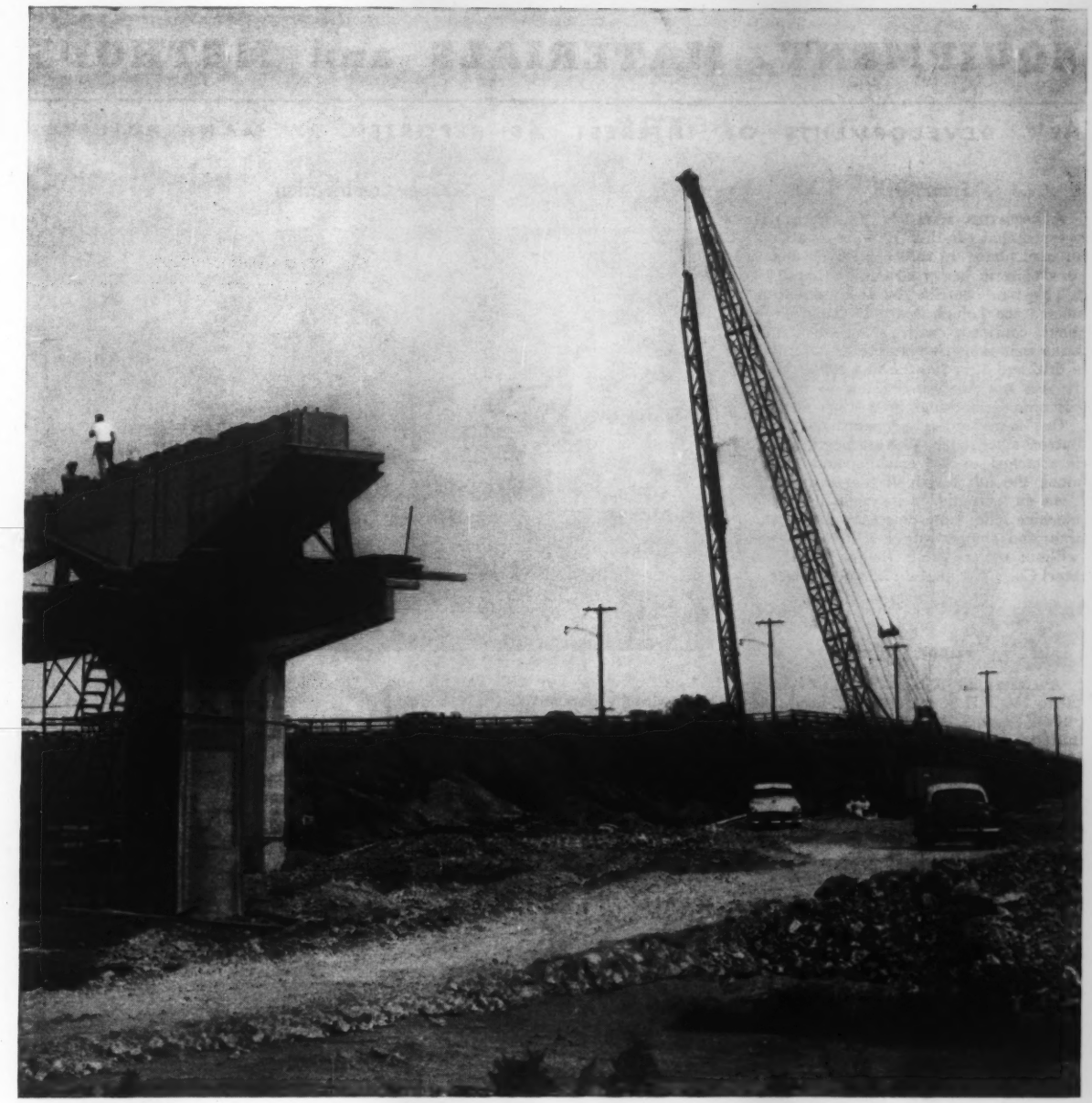
Toward Better Schools . . . The *Ford Foundation's* appropriation of $4,500,000 to establish "Educational Facilities Laboratories" is justified by an anticipated $40 billion expansion in educational facilities within the next ten years. The Laboratories will be concerned with research in improved construction of school and college buildings, and will also serve as a clearing house for data on school design, building, and equipment.



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Some of the longest unspliced lengths of steel H-piles ever used in the Buffalo area are being driven for the southern approach to the $11 million, 1.5-mile-long Union Ship Canal Viaduct at Buffalo. The Viaduct will relieve a congested industrial area by providing four lanes of concrete highway.

Steel H-piles up to 94 ft long were driven with a crane having a 123 ft boom, and operated by Bero Construction Corporation of Waterloo, N.Y. In all, several thousand tons of Bethlehem H-piles were required for the piers. The Viaduct is being erected by the New York State Department of Public Works.

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As an example of its versatility, the machine can simultaneously work the web and flanges of a rolled H-shape without repositioning. **Lehigh Structural Steel Co., CE-2, Station A, Allentown, Pa.**

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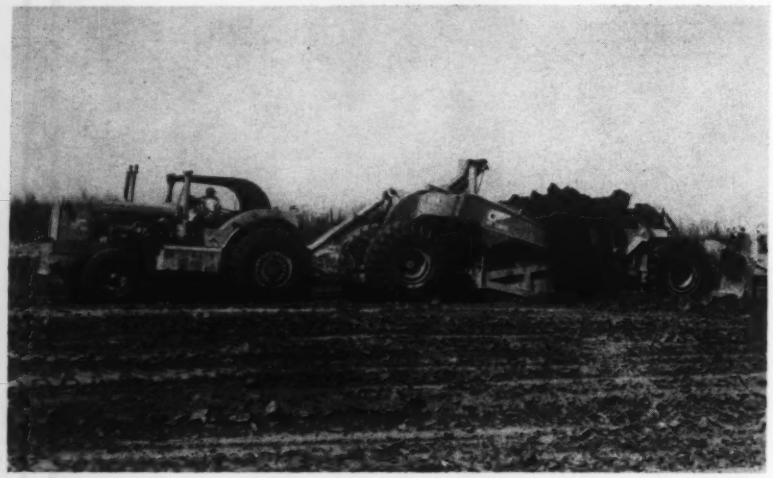

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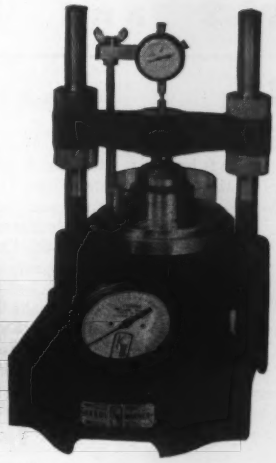

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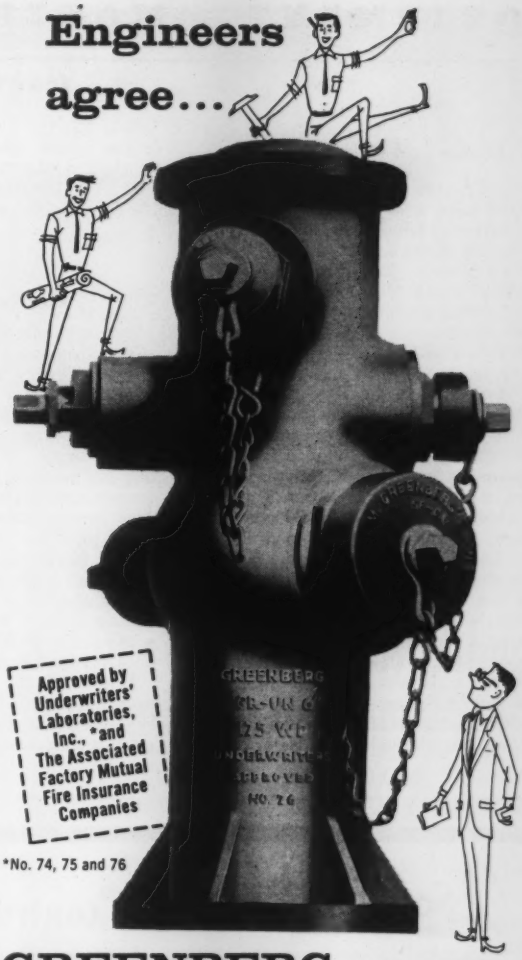

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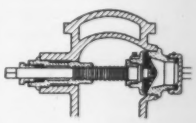

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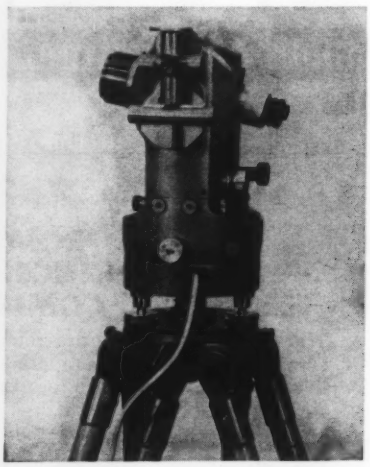

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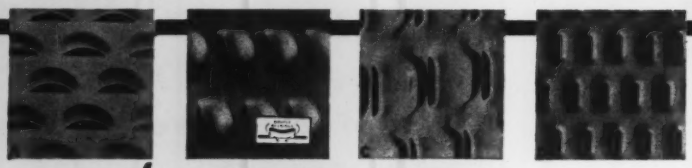

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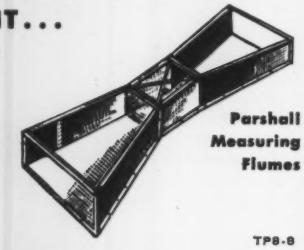

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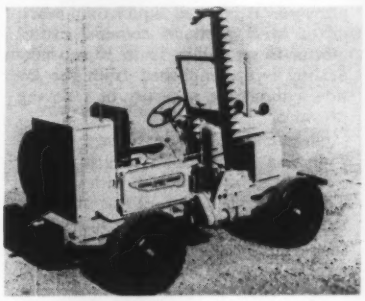

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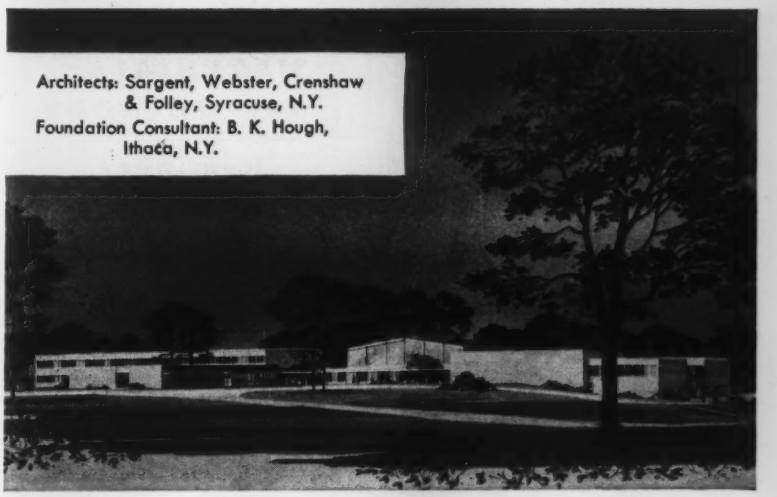

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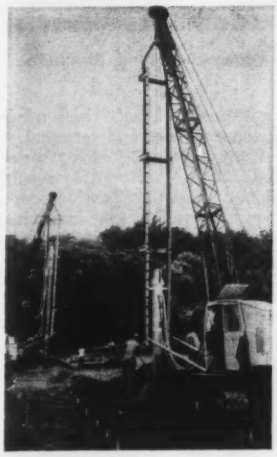

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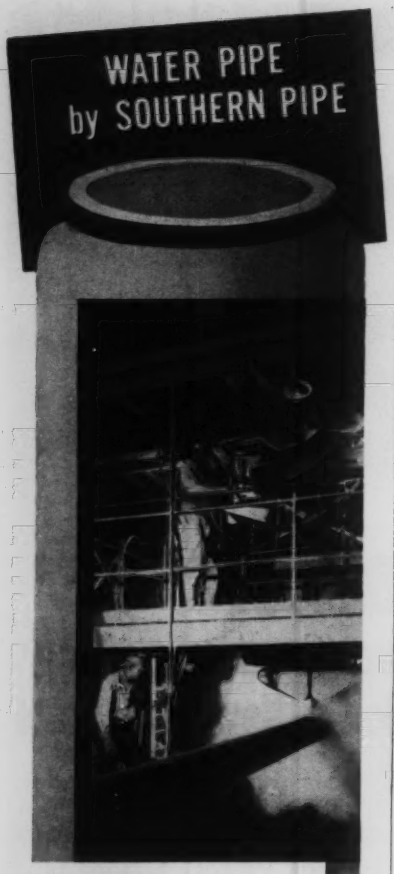

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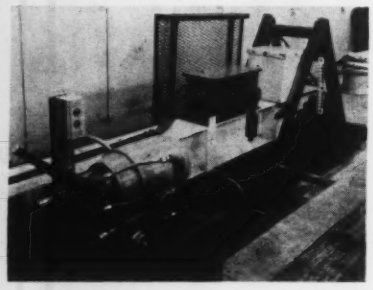

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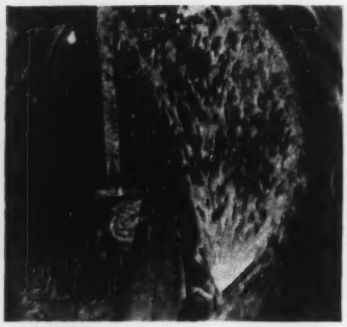

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Photo-Sensitive Chart Material

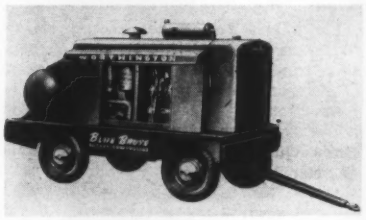
A VERSATILE NEW PHOTO-SENSITIVE chart material for ultra-accurate projection gaging has been announced.

Known as the Kodak Translucent Plate, Type 5, the new material will make possible tighter tolerances, improved accuracy and lower inspection costs in projection gaging.

Embodying the dimensional stability of glass, the accuracy of photographic reproduction and "automatic" preparation capabilities, the new plates are also expected to enhance intra-industry and interplant inspection procedures. For example, multiple projection charts may be made directly from scaled engineering drawings employing standard photographic copying techniques. The plates may then be used on each of several optical comparators, simultaneously boosting inspection speed and insuring photo-exact accuracy of tolerance charts. **Eastman Kodak Co., CE-2, Rochester 4, New York.**

Rotary Compressor

FEATURING THE "OVER-UNDER" DESIGN, the Model 365 cfm Blue Brute Rotary Compressor incorporates a unique method of construction that puts the second stage compressor cylinder directly over the first stage. The new unit is equipped with self-draining cylinders, a silent chain drive that is rated for 20,000 hours of life, and two filters, one being a lifetime filter and the other



"Over-Under" Design

an inexpensive, replaceable final filter. The outboard end of each cylinder is exposed, thus every moving part of the compressor is easily accessible.

There are five automatic controls that eliminate high discharge air temperature; engaging the clutch while the engine is running; over heating of coiling water, etc. The unit is powered by a Cummins model NHC-400 engine. **Worthington Corp., CE-2, 426 Worthington Ave., Harrison, New Jersey.**

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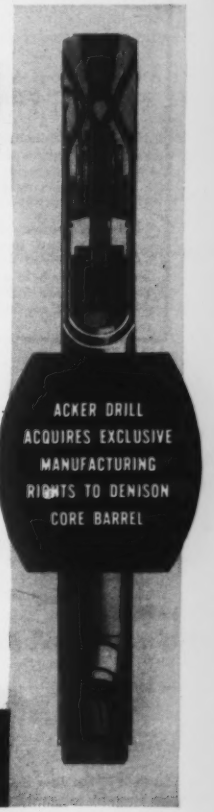

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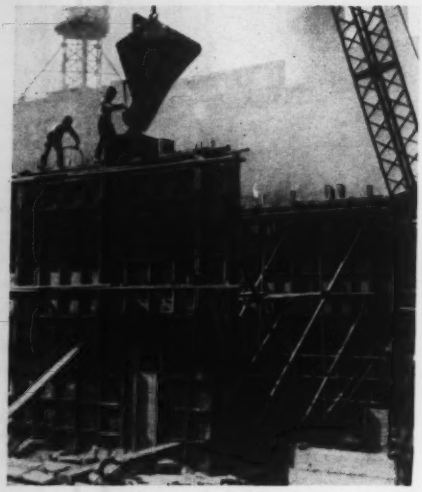

Setting, pouring and stripping forms goes faster when you use the Richmond Snap-Ty Form System. With this system you can build your own prefabricated panels. Form erection is reduced to an assembly procedure of the reusable low cost panels into durable forms suitable for continuous pours.

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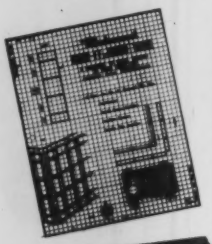

Richmond does not make, sell or rent forms. Richmond sells Form-Tys and accessories and shows you how to make your own forms which can be used over and over. Profit by this fast, easy method for erecting light foundation walls. Send for your FREE copy of the Richmond Snap-Ty Form Book, containing complete diagrams and forming data. At the same time, ask for the current Richmond Handbook, which describes the full line of Richmond-engineered tying devices and accessories.

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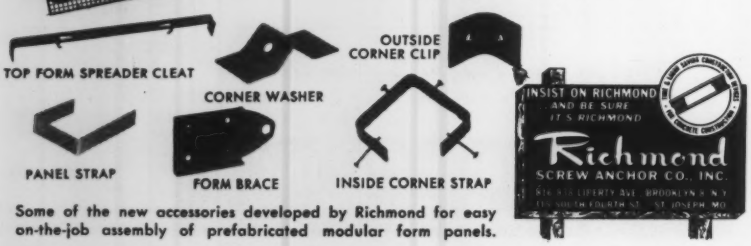

Some of the new accessories developed by Richmond for easy on-the-job assembly of prefabricated modular form panels.

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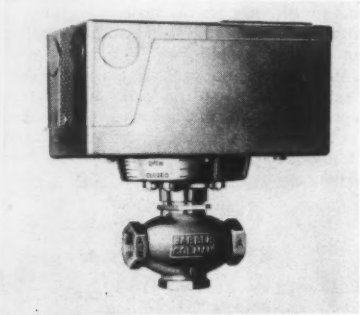
Electronic Transistorized Motor Operator

A NEW ELECTRONIC TRANSISTORIZED Motor Operator for individual proportional applications, designed for damper and valve control in heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, has been added to the company's motor operator line.

Compactness and simplicity never before realized are made possible through application of transistor components in the electronic circuitry of the new transistor operator.



Electronic Flexibility

Electronic flexibility—meaning choice among sensing elements, selection of compensated control, wide adjustability of range and ratio settings—is part of the package the company offers in this motor operator.

Virtually self-contained, the simple attachment of a two-wire sensing element to a transistor operator forms a system of electronic control. It is easy to use, as connection to any convenient 115-volt power source completes the installation. **Barber-Colman Co., CE-2, 115 Loomis St., Rockford, Ill.**

Snow Plow Blade

EASILY ATTACHED AND SELF-ADJUSTING to any type of wheel and crawler tractor, this new reversible angling blade is the only one of its kind on the market, the manufacturer states.

A system of pins and holes in the longitudinal back brace gives the blade its unusual adaptability. By simply moving the securing pins to appropriate holes, the blade can be mounted on any type of wheel and crawler tractor in a matter of minutes.

Several other important features are:

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it can be angled to either side up to a maximum of 42 deg; its two oscillating swivel runners maintain proper position of blade; and shock and strain on the main frame are reduced by three heavy duty torsion springs, which deflect the blade on contact with immovable objects such as manhole covers. **General Engines Co., Inc., CE-2, Route 130, Thorofare, New Jersey.**

Power Digger

CLAIMING TO AVERAGE 150 ft per hour in digging ditches with the Sherman Power Digger under normal conditions, Vernon O. Lippoldt, co-owner of the D & L Ditching Service, Haysville, Kansas says it took him 15 minutes recently to dig a 4-ft x 8-ft x 8-ft hole.

The company uses this equipment for footings, sewer ditching, septic tank excavations, laying cement pipe storm drains, concrete and tin culverts, and even cleaning out ditches at the ends of the culverts where the township's maintenance machinery is unable to get.

Panther

The fifth Power Digger the firm has purchased is a Panther, which can dig 10 ft deep with absolutely no trouble and which has dug ditches 12 ft deep with ease. **Sherman Products, Inc., CE-2, 3200 W. 14 Mile, Royal Oak, Mich.**

Colorlith

VAST NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR builders of commercial structures, research centers, schools, hospitals and other institutions are seen in a leading architect's evaluation of an asbestos-cement material confined until recently to laboratory table tops.

Colorlith is a mixture of Portland cement and carefully selected asbestos fibers integrally combined with chemically resistant colorings and fillings. It is

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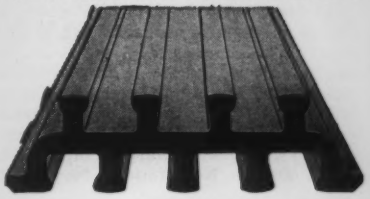

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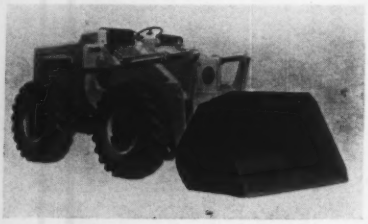
New "Payloader"

THE LOAD CARRY CAPACITY of the new rubber-tired, four-wheel-drive H-90 "Payloader" is 9,000 lb at average travel speeds. Both gas and diesel power units are offered.

An important feature provides the most noticeable change in the appearance of this model. It is the "low-profile" front shroud which gives the operator improved visibility and makes for easier,



Easier, Faster, Safer Operation

faster and safer operation.

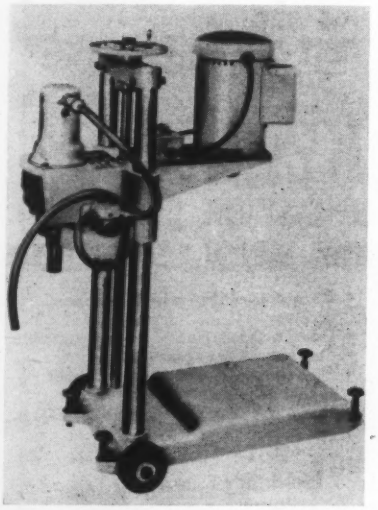
The "Payloader" has a breakout force of 21,000 lb and a bucket tipback of 44 deg at ground level. The patented pry-out bucket action is exclusive on rubber-tired loaders with machines produced by the company.

Power-transfer differentials, which automatically transfer up to 24% more torque to the wheels with the best footing under slippery conditions, are another feature of the new machine. **The Frank G. Hough Co., CE-2, 938 Seventh St., Libertyville, Ill.**

Diamond Bit Drilling Machines

COMBINING COMPLETE PORTABILITY with fast, smooth cutting and easy, one-man operation, the new Kor-It Machines permit drilling speeds up to 1 in. deep per minute in reinforced concrete, granite, fused quartz, tile and asphalt paving.

Already in use on many construction, maintenance and machinery installation drilling jobs, the machines are reducing job time to a fraction of that required with ordinary equipment. One man can produce clean, smooth cores



Reduces Job Time

for foundation and road tests—holes for heavy industrial mountings are drilled to exact size the first time with no costly forming or chipping—feeder line openings on large sewer projects can be drilled after the main line has been laid, eliminating the need for extra joints.

Available in 5 models for gasoline, electric or air operation, the drilling machines are the only equipment of this type having interchangeable motors. The heavy counter balanced base and precision machined upright columns and drill head are designed into one, compact unit which will accommodate any one of the three power plants or engines. **The Kor-It Co., Inc., CE-2, 314 Cottman St., Jenkintown, Pa.**

Light Weight Air Hammer

ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURER, the Model SP-900B light weight air hammer attaches "push-on" fasteners (such

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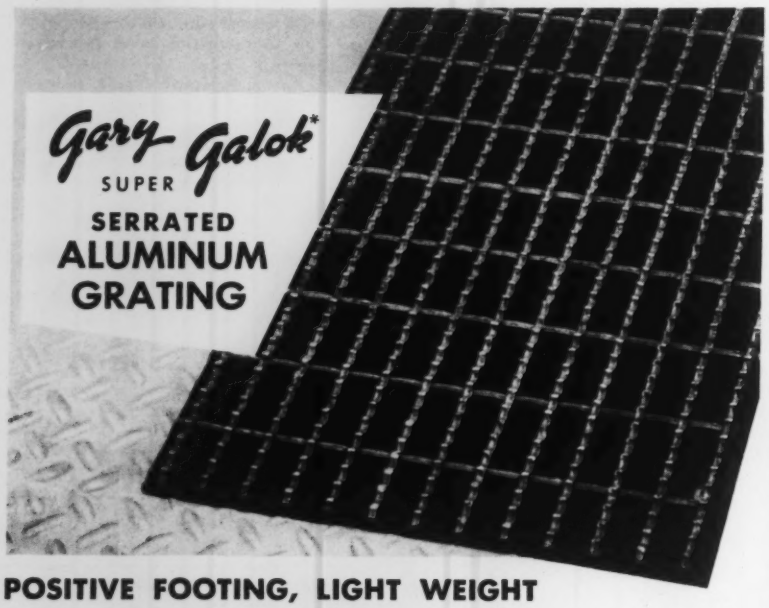

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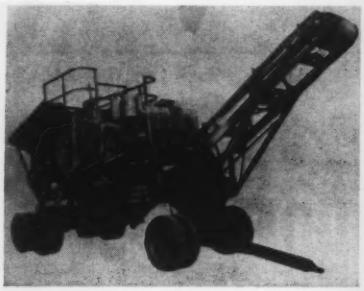
as "Pal-Nuts" or "Speed-Nuts") uniformly in ⅓ the time taken by ordinary hand methods. Since the unit is light weight, assembly personnel can operate it easily without tiring. Weighing just 20 oz, it uses only 6.5 cfm at 90 psi. **Superior Pneumatic & Mfg., Inc., CE-2, 4758 Warner Road, Cleveland 25, Ohio.**

Portable Crushing Unit

DESIGNATED THE 151PR, THIS unit has a 2036 overhead eccentric jaw crusher and a 3-ft x 8-ft apron type feeder, chain driven, with clutch, from the crusher. A wide delivery conveyor, 19 ft long, completes the components, all mounted on semi-trailer type chassis.

The jaw crusher, with 20-in. opening is of the long-jaw type and has the newly developed hydraulic-shim adjustment for crusher setting through a range of 2½ in. or 3 in. to 6 in. The crusher is installed



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on the chassis at an angle that directs the material into the crushing chamber along the natural lies of flow from the feeder, thus aiding the forced feed action, relieving bridging and reducing void spots in the crusher.

The feeder is of an improved design also, as the ½ in. forged steel slats ride on chains carried on steel rollers mounted on heavy channel-iron supports; the hopper sides are sloped and braced to the bottom of the feeder mounting sills. **Pioneer Engineering, CE-2, 3200 Como Ave., Minneapolis 14, Minn.**

Test Pump

USED BY PIPE FITTERS to test piping installations, this versatile pump is being applied to numerous other uses, such as testing boilers, casings, radiators, removing obstructions from drain

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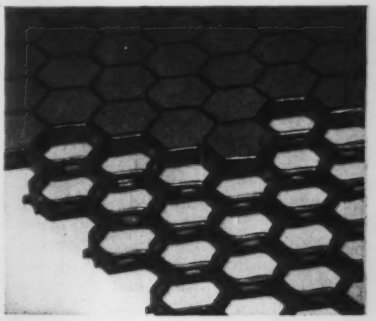

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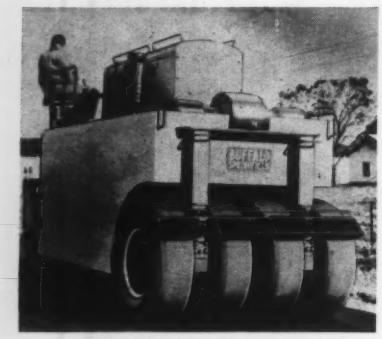
Pneumatic Tire Roller

COMPACTION OF SUB-BASE, base, and finish (asphaltic concrete) courses of flexible type pavements are a few of the job applications of the self-propelled pneumatic tire roller. The manufacturer also recommends the new 10-30-ton, 7-wheel unit, designated the model PSR-30, for compaction of embankments for highways, airport runways, dams and building sites.

A special transmission, including torque converter, offers three speed ratios and an infinite range of rolling speeds up to 19.4 miles per hour, forward and reverse; speed shifting and reversing clutches are hydraulic actuated.

Two braking systems, for service and parking, are a safety feature. Each of the four drive wheels have double-shoe type, self-energizing brakes, hydraulically actuated, through air booster, by means of a foot pedal control. The parking brake is a double-shoe, mechanical type, on the transmission output shaft, controlled by a hand lever with a ratchet lock. **Buffalo-Springfield Roller Co., CE-2, 1210 Kenton St., Springfield, Ohio.**



Two Braking Systems

New Car Battery

ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURER, the "Cellomatic" is the first really new kind of storage battery that has been invented in the last 30 years. The result of more than five years of research and development under all conditions, it is completely different in appearance and will offer the motoring public advantages in performance and length of service that are impossible with types of batteries now on the market.

The new battery features high-impact, non-porous polystyrene cells in an equally rugged polyethylene frame. Both cells and frame are far stronger than those of conventional hard rubber or composition batteries, and will not crack or warp even at the most extreme temperatures. Also, the non-porous cells will not permit the electrical charge to leak out.

A major advantage of the "Cellomatic" is that each individual cell can be replaced at moderate cost in minutes, eliminating the necessity of buying a new battery when only one cell is not operating. **Scranton "Cellomatic" Battery Corp., CE-2, Archbald, Pa.**

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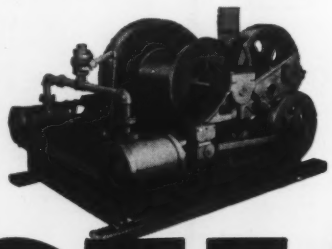

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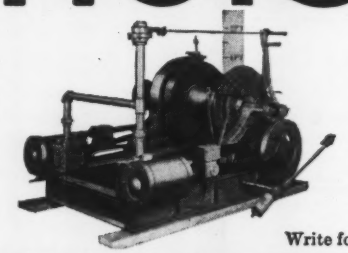

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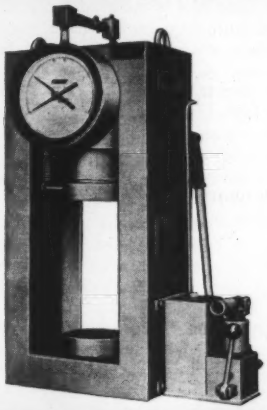

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New Drum Blading Design

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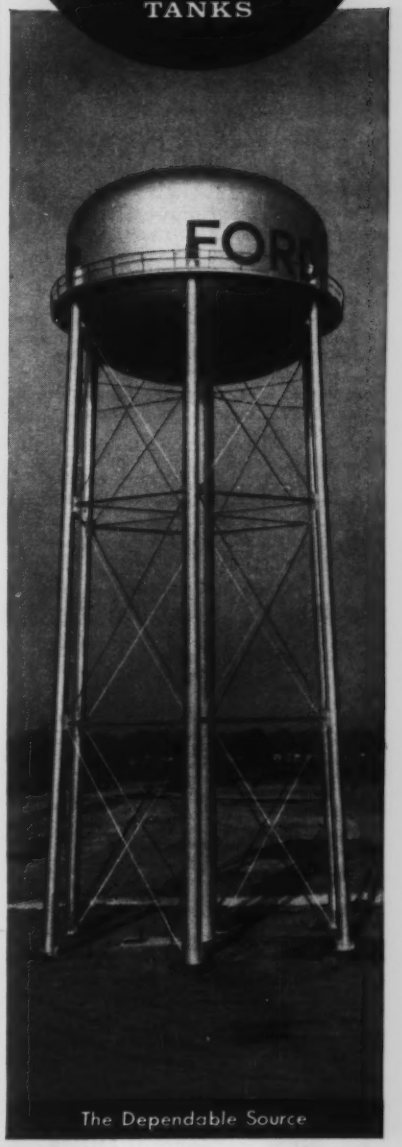

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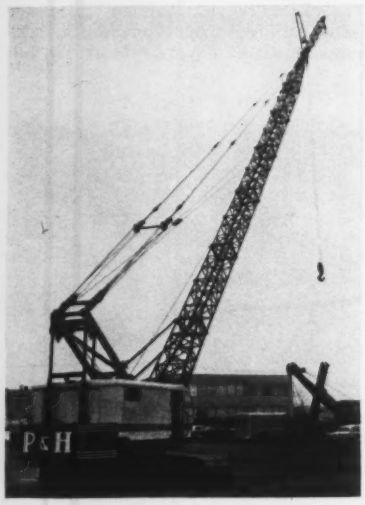

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Literature Available

SWIMMING POOLS.—"Modern Swimming Pools of the World" by Dr. Dietrich Fabian, Technical Advisor on Olympic Standards, is a beautifully-illustrated 148-page book which contains 181 pictures, 208 plans of instruction for constructing indoor and outdoor pools, and 7 construction-tables. Some of the types of pools pictured include: instruction pools in schools, outdoor pools with separate units, small indoor pools, and instruction pools in municipal indoor pools. The price is $10. **National Pool Equipment Co., CE-2, Lee Highway, Florence, Alabama.**

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SERVICES & PRODUCTS—This 19-page brochure offers some insight into the background and operations of the firm, with a primary emphasis on its operation as a drilling contractor. Foundation investigation, mineral exploration, pressure grouting and the various miscellaneous services are described and illustrated. The manufacturing and equipment sales functions are also covered, and several new items of drilling equipment are announced for the first time. For example, the Wire Line Core Barrel will permit recovery of a larger core in relation to the hole size than is normally associated with wire line equipment. **Sprague & Henwood, Inc., CE-2, Scranton 2, Pa.**

SLIDE RULES—Entitled "Slide Rule? May I Help . . .", this 24-page booklet is a guide for the student or professional about to buy a slide rule. The two-color pamphlet describes scale designs and arrangements, the fine woods, glass and synthetic materials used in rule construction, and teaching aids and accessories for the slide rule. It also includes a wide variety of K&E rules. Some of these are: the Log Log Duplex Decitrig (the standard slide rule most widely used by engineers); the Polyphase and Mannheim types; special purpose models for businessmen, surveyors and radio engineers; and pocket versions of most standard rules. **Keuffel & Esser Co., CE-2, Adams & Third Streets, Hoboken, N. J.**

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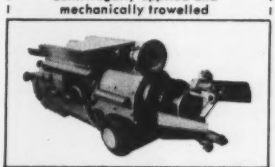

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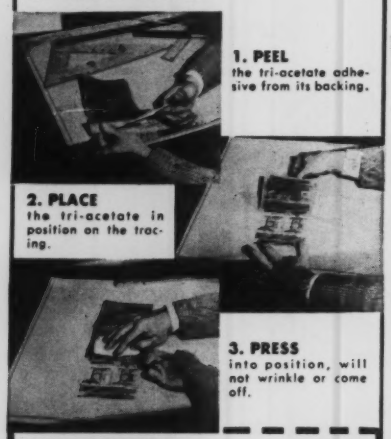

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PILE HAMMERS—A new 20-page engineering bulletin on the selection and application of single-acting pile hammers, using steam or air, with rated striking energy from 7260 to 30,225 foot pounds has been issued. Very comprehensive, it deals with many subjects such as rating of hammers, selecting size required, safe bearing load for piles, adaptability for driving, bases, plates, driving heads, helmets, and head blocks. **Vulcan Iron Works, CE-2, 327 N. Bell Ave., Chicago 12, Ill.**

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COMPACTION EQUIPMENT—The information in this 16-page booklet was prepared to assist anyone who has previously had no opportunity to study the subject of soils and materials compaction, especially in connection with the construction of roads, streets, air strips and dams. Some of the types of compaction equipment discussed in the brochue are: 3-wheel rollers, tandem rollers, trench rollers, and pneumatic tire rollers. Photographs and a glossary of construction terms are also included. **The Galion Iron Works & Mfg. Co., CE-2, 265 Park Ave., W. Mansfield, Ohio.**

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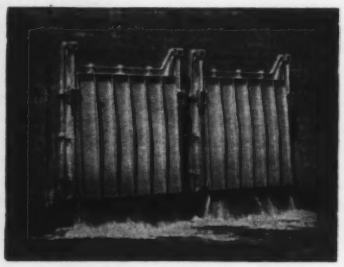

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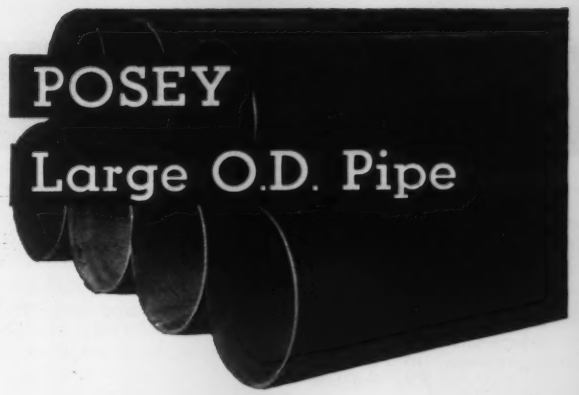

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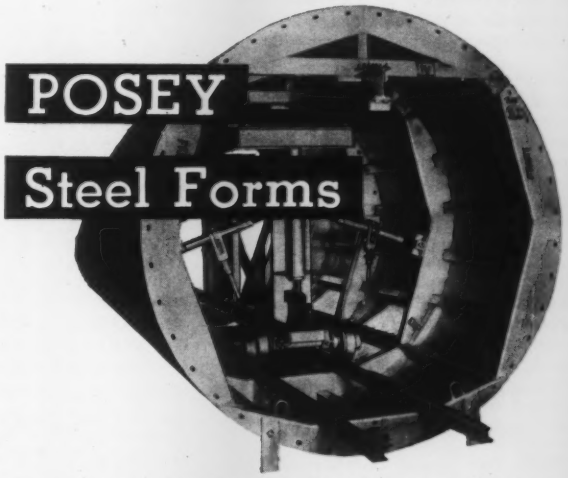

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1893. Compressive Strength of Compacted Snow, by Gunner S. Pedersen. (AT) Tests carried out with 10 cm cubes of compacted snow to determine the compressive strength and its variations with density are described.

1894. Vortex Formation and Resistance in Periodic Motion, by John S. McNown and Garbis Keulegan. (EM) Variations in coefficients of resistance and inertia have been correlated in laboratory tests on the basis of the interval required for the formation of a vortex.

1895. Applications of Electrical Analogs of Static Structures, by Frederick L. Ryder. (EM) This paper reviews problems concerning 3-dimensional frames, non-linear structures, partitioning of complicated structures to permit simulation on small analog instruments, applied deflections and thermal effects, and related experimental work.

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1907. A Boring Method for Pipeline Construction, by James C. Fisher. (PL) This paper describes a construction method for driving of pipes below ground surface by jacking and boring.

1908. Gilsonite Solids Pipe Line, by E. F. Fulkerson and J. E. Rinne. (PL) The features of a 72-mile solids pipe line, considerations affecting its design, construction, and problems that have developed are given.

1909. Strength of Reinforced Concrete Beams, by Sidney A. Guralnick. (ST) Rational interaction equations for the failure of plain concrete under stress are developed on the basis of Mohr's failure theory.

1910. Elastic Resistance of Reinforced Concrete Beams, by G. R. Swihart, J. R. Allgood and W. A. Shaw. (ST) A theory is presented for determining the static resistance characteristics of uniformly loaded reinforced concrete beams. Attention is given to predicting ultimate deflection.

1911. Design of Pitched and Curved Timber Diaphragms, by Henry J. Degenkolb. (ST) A review of the internal action of timber diaphragms is presented together with a study of the stresses caused by curving or sloping portions of the diaphragm to conform to common truss shapes.

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1916. Discussion of Proceedings Paper 1658, 1659, (AT) W. K. Laing, G. S. Cooper, and Morris E. Adams on 1658. J. F. Newberg on 1659.

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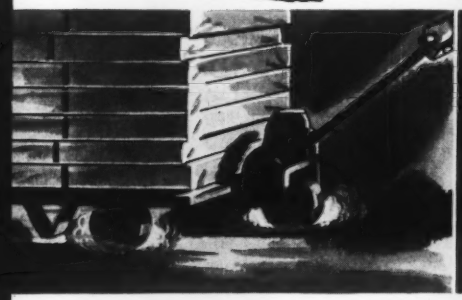

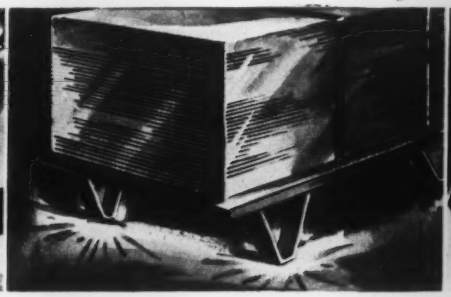

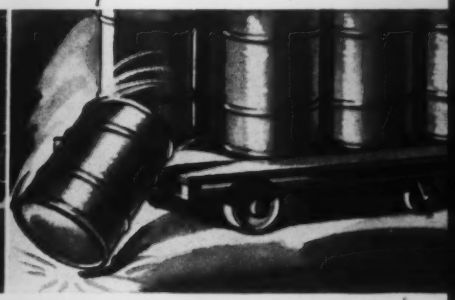

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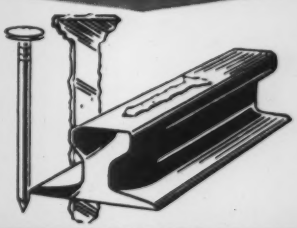

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